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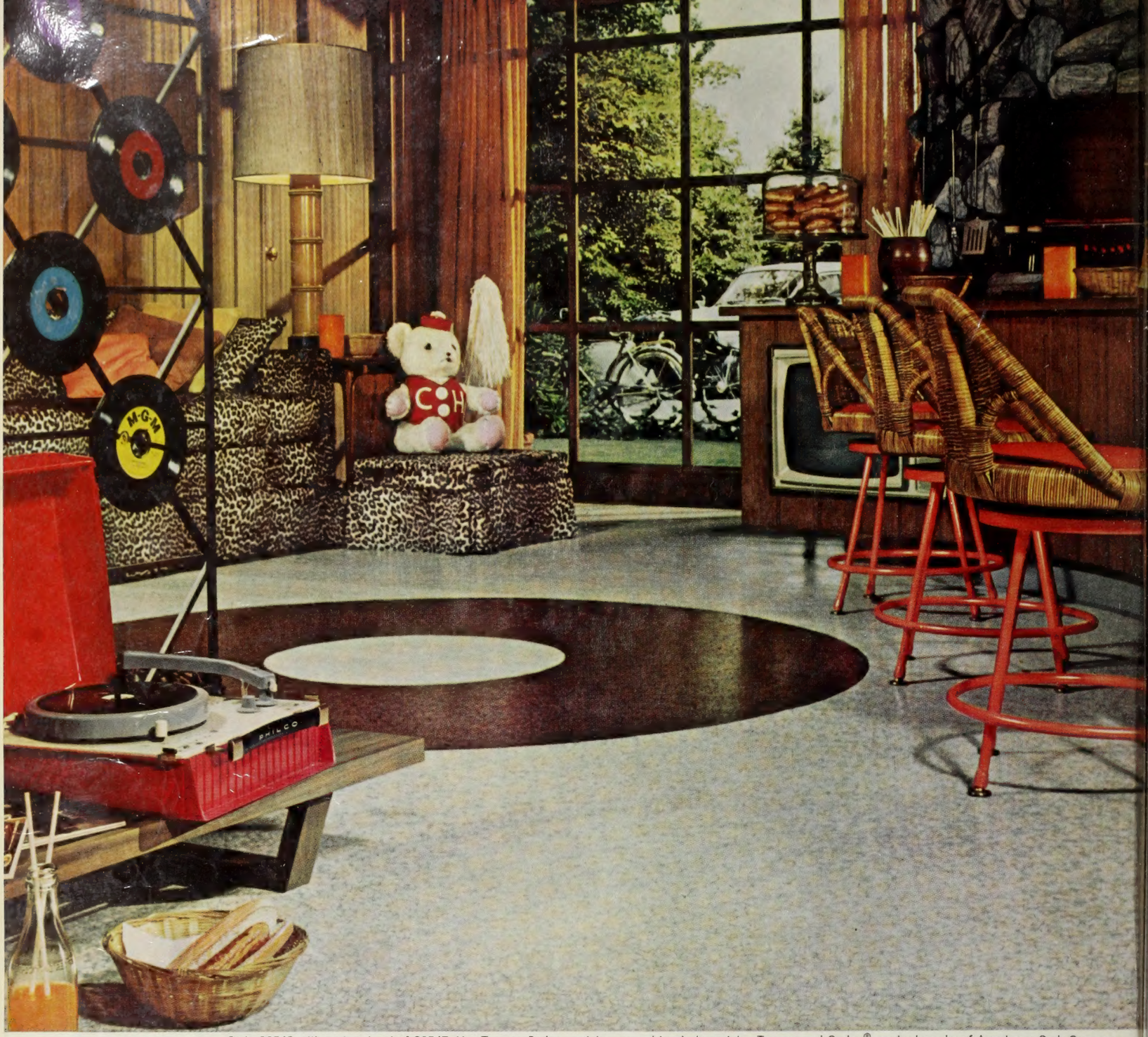
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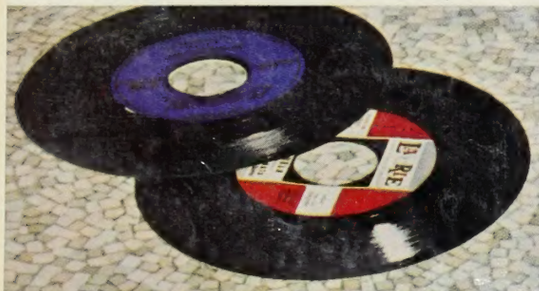


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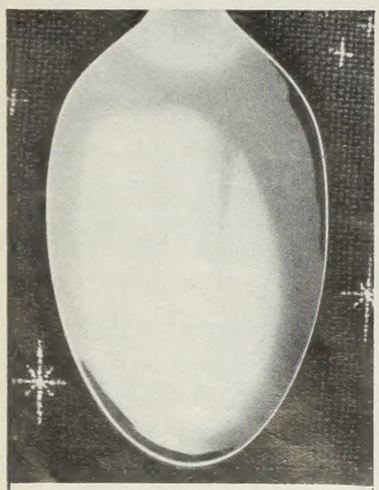


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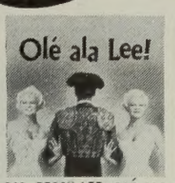
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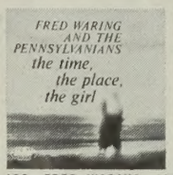
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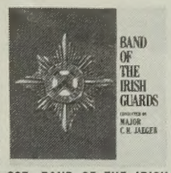
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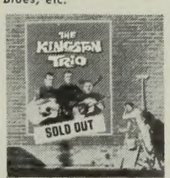


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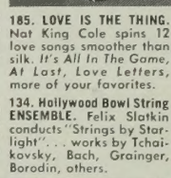


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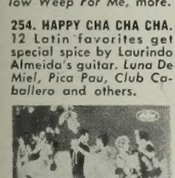
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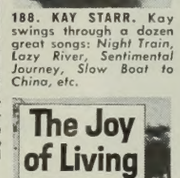
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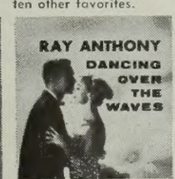


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Within an hour-and-a-half (never mind how), I had the name and address of the man with the shelter. It was Henry T. Babcock, and he lived about two miles from me.

I drove over to Babcock's without ceremony. He and I were acquaintances—as people are in small towns—but just acquaintances. I knew he was scientifically trained and a successful, respected practitioner of his profession. Nice fellow. We don't meet at the same parties—but, then, I don't get out much any more.

He was working in the garden, and he said he was glad to see me. I told him I was interested in his bomb shelter. "Everybody is," he said. "There doesn't seem to be any way to keep it quiet."

"I guess it's the only one in the County," I said.

"I guess so," said Babcock. "I've asked Civil Defense, but they don't know. They don't know anything. I've been trying to get a Geiger counter from them for the past three years. I've got a ten-year-old counter, and I don't know if it's any good. Now that I think of it, I'd better put it down in the shelter. That's where you're supposed to keep it."

"You'd think other people would build shelters," I said.

"You would," said Babcock, "but you know how people are. They just don't want to think about it. But [*Turn to page 8*

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it stands to reason that there will be war. There always has been."

"I suppose the cost is a problem," I said.

"I suppose so," said Babcock. "It cost me four-thousand-some dollars, just for a hole in the ground."

"You could build a nice swimming pool for that," I said.

"You can say that again," said Babcock, but I didn't. I was beginning to think Babcock wasn't completely happy about the whole thing, though I couldn't see why. Here was his family—nice fellow, nice wife, three nice children—all nicely sheltered from nuclear attack. But as Babcock himself said: "It's like insurance. If you have it, you don't need it. If you need it, you don't have it."

"Well, you've got it," I said.

"I guess so," said Babcock. "But there are problems, lots of problems."

Babcock excused himself to get the old Geiger counter and a pick—which he said he might as well put down there because he had no use for it in the house, and you're supposed to have some tools in the shelter. I was left in the living room. The house was one of those new ranch-style affairs with merging "areas" instead of rooms. There were no bookshelves visible, but the coffee table had a book on it, dealing with Babcock's profession, and several copies of *Life*, *Time*, and *Reader's Digest*. My host returned with the pick and the Geiger counter and said, "Well, let's go."

I followed him out of the house and across the back yard.

"I should have built the shelter under the house," said Babcock thoughtfully, as we crossed the yard.

"Did you build it yourself?" I asked him.

"No," said Babcock, "it was built by a contractor."

"But you designed it?" I said.

"No," said Babcock, "we had an architect design it."

The shelter was about forty feet from the house (which was made of wood) and ten feet from the wooden two-car garage. There were three protrusions from the ground: an air intake pipe (capped with a filter), an air exhaust pipe, and a tilted entrance hatch. The intake was about five feet from the wooden fence surrounding the house and garage, and the exhaust was surrounded by a large pile of kindling.

"Well," said Babcock, "this is what it looks like from the outside. Here," pointing to the capped intake, "is where the air goes in. We draw it in with a blower in the shelter."

"What if the fence was on fire?" I said.

"What if what?"

"What if the fence was on fire, or the garage, or the kindling?"

"Oh," said Babcock. "Yes. That would be bad. We'd be drawing the smoke right down into the shelter. That would be bad."

"What's the kindling around the vent for?" I said.

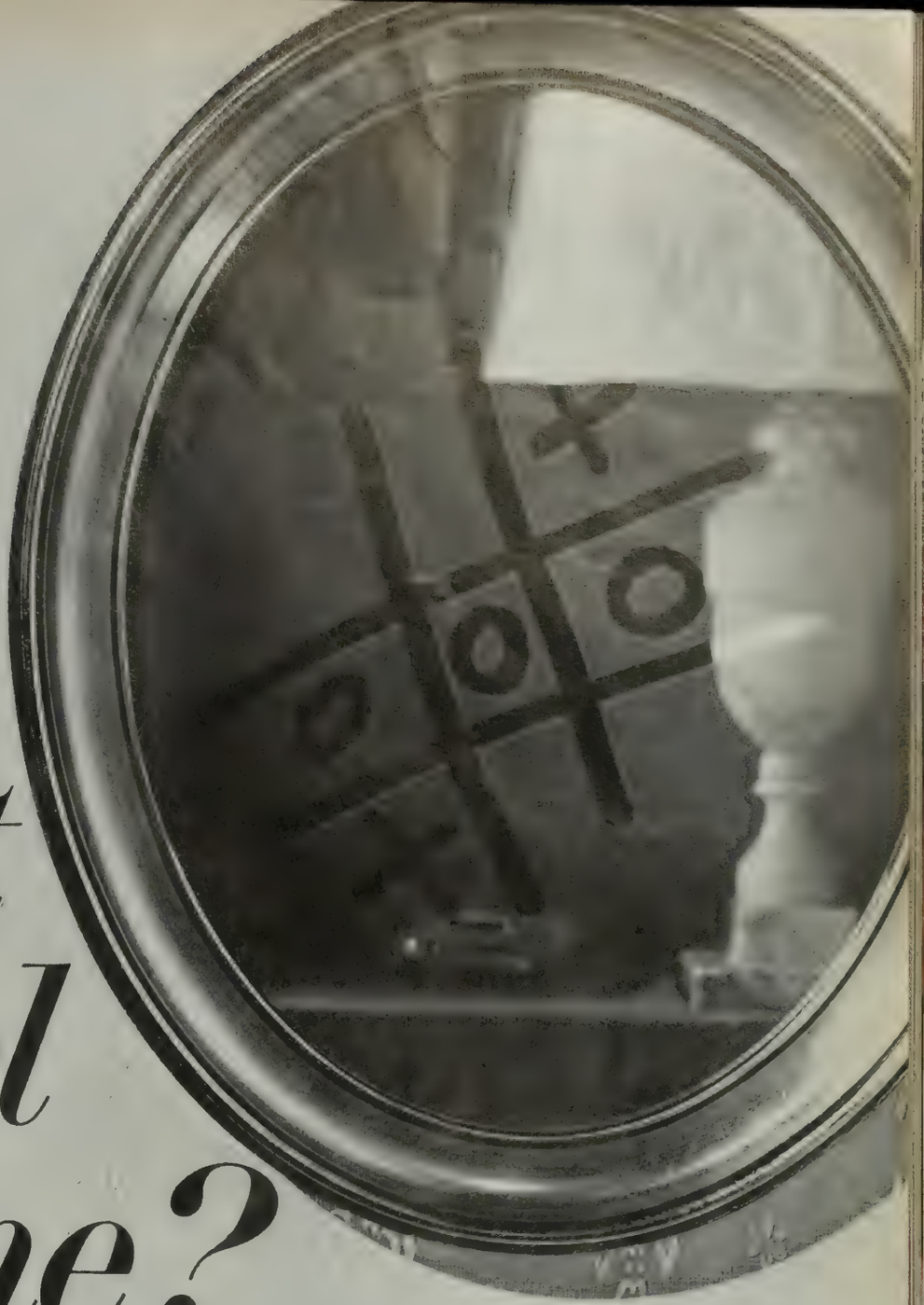
"That's just our kindling pile," said Babcock. Then he said, "I suppose I ought to move it away, but there's so darned much to do all the time."

"Of course," I said, "if you have a real fire-storm above ground, with everything burning, I suppose the fire would suck the oxygen right out of the shelter. That's what happened to the Germans in World War II, during the ten-night raid on Hamburg. The people in the shelters were asphyxiated."

"That would be bad, all right," said Babcock.

We went over to the iron hatch-lid set in concrete. It took a lot of lifting. "Pretty sturdy," I said. "Yes," said Babcock, "pretty sturdy." The lid had a heavy hasp for a padlock on the outside, but there was no padlock. I asked if the hatch could be locked from the inside, and Babcock said it couldn't be. I thought about this and said. "Then the whole town could follow you into the shelter, couldn't it?"

"Well," said Babcock, "that's a problem, all right. Of course, there's an inside lock on the door [*Turn to page 14*



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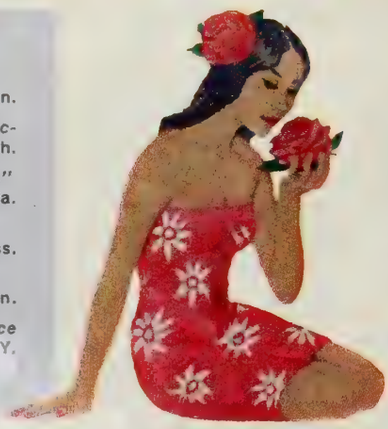
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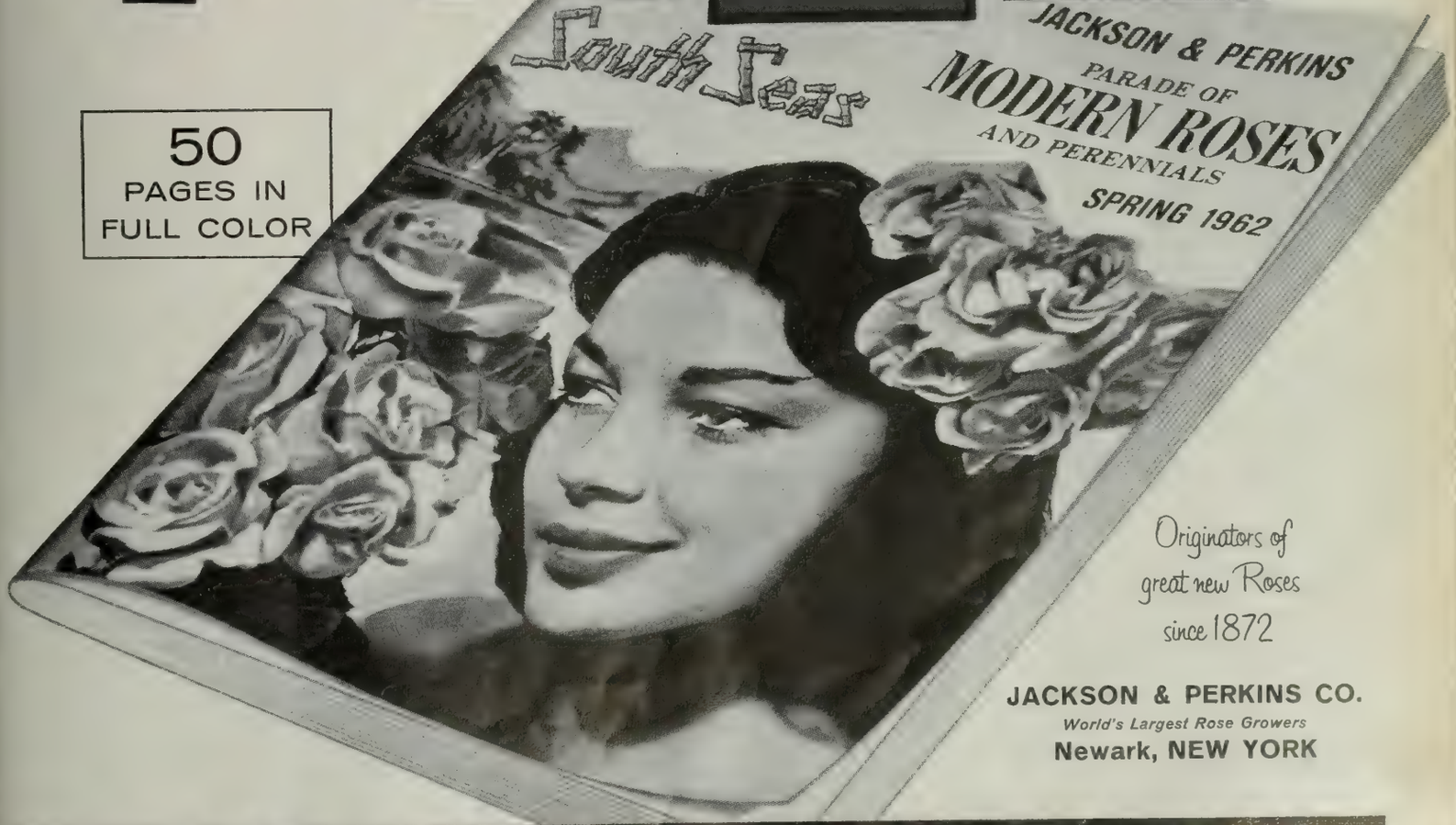


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at the bottom of the stairs. Once we got into the shelter itself, we could lock ourselves in."

"Then somebody might snap a lock on the hatch from the outside," I said, adding, "but nobody would do that."

"I hope not," said Babcock.

"Of course," I said, "you couldn't let *everyone* in."

"No," said Babcock, "there's just room for Nettie and me and the kids. It's not much more than a five-man shelter really."

"I suppose you might have to stand off some of the people who wanted in," I said. "You know how people are," I added.

"Well, that's a problem," said Babcock. "Everybody would want to get in. I don't know what we'd do about that. One fellow said I'd need a gun."

"It might take a lot of shooting," I said. Babcock didn't say anything for a bit, and then he said, "The trouble is, you can't figure out everything."

The inside of the hatch-lid was lined with sponge, and I asked Babcock why. "Well," he said, frowning, "theoretically it's to keep the lid from sweating." He emphasized the "theoretically." The wooden stairs to the floor of the shelter were steep, but the stairway had an iron handrail. I was surprised to learn that the roof of the shelter was covered by only three feet of earth, but Babcock explained that the deeper you dig the more it costs. With its seven-foot ceiling, and its foot-thick floor, the bottom of the hole was eleven feet nine inches deep. (The roof was nine inches thick.) The construction was all steel-reinforced concrete except for the hatch-lid, the stairs, and the door at the bottom of the stairs.

At the foot of the stairs was a 180-degree turn to the shelter door. Babcock said that it was the only idea he had ever been able to get from Civil Defense, and that every time he had tried to find out anything from Civil Defense he ran into a stone wall of red tape. Whatever else made him unhappy, there was no doubt about Civil Defense. But there seemed to be something more than that weighing on him. The local paper had described him as eager to share his experience; I found him willing rather than eager. His manner was that of a real estate agent showing a property he'd just as soon the client didn't buy.

"What was Civil Defense's idea about the 180-degree turn?" I asked. "Well," he said, "the radioactivity is supposed to travel in straight lines, so it can't turn the corner." I thought that was interesting, and said so. Babcock said nothing.

The door of the shelter itself was made of wood, with steel trim. I opened and closed it a few times and asked if it was airtight. "I don't know," said Babcock. "It's snug, but I guess you wouldn't call it airtight." "I was just wondering," I said. I was thinking about poison gas, and whether bacteria, once you took them off the leash, would turn 180-degree corners.

I don't know why, but I had expected the shelter would consist of two or three rooms, at least. It consisted of one clammy concrete bunker eight by ten feet. Very clammy. My host began mopping up the dew with small bags scattered around the floor. "They're supposed to absorb the moisture, and then you bake them out in the oven." I said they didn't seem to work too well, and he said, no, they didn't. He'd heard there were some cans of stuff that worked better, but he didn't know what it was called or where you got it.

The decor of the shelter was simplicity itself. There was one naked light, some shelves of tinned and packaged food, a bunk spring (without legs) leaning upright against the wall, a plastic garbage can, a slender cylinder of oxygen about two feet tall and six inches in diameter, and one metal cleat in the ceiling. And, of course, the Geiger-counter and the pick. Nothing else. No furniture of any kind, no hooks or hangers (or clothes to put on them), no copies of *Life* or *Time* or the *Reader's Digest*.

I asked Babcock how long he figured they might be down there. "You mean," he said, "in case [*Turn to page 17*

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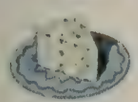
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of—?" "Yes," I said, "in case of—." "There doesn't seem to be any way to find out. Some people say weeks, and some say months, so you don't really know. It's a problem." I agreed that it was and asked him how the family planned to occupy itself in the shelter in case of—. Babcock said they hadn't really thought about that.

I asked him how he'd know when to come out. "You mean—afterward?" he said. "Yes—afterward," I said. "Well," said Babcock, "we've got a plug-in here for a portable radio if we remember to bring it down when we come, and an antenna up through the vent." "So, then," I said, "you'd find out over the radio." "If we remember to bring it down," he said again, and then, "I guess we'd find out that way, unless—." "Unless—?" I said.

"Well," he said, "unless the station is knocked out, or the current goes off. Of course," he added, "we've got this old Geiger counter, if it works, but we'd have to go outside to use it, so I don't know what we'd do about that. I guess it isn't much use, when you come to think of it."

"And where," I said, "is the Gents' Room?" "There," said Babcock, indicating the plastic garbage can, which was four feet tall. "And the garbage can?" I said. "There," said Babcock, indicating the plastic garbage can. I thought that the place ought to be pretty spicy after a week or so, and Babcock said, "The CD literature says to have a chemical toilet, but I can't find out where to buy one or how to build one. And I'm afraid to use chlorine, in case the fumes are poisonous. So we got this plastic garbage can. But we haven't been able to figure out—."

By way of changing the subject, I asked him what the single cleat in the ceiling was for. He said, "We thought we could get those cleats into the walls to hang the bunks on, but for some reason we couldn't," and he pointed to the pockmarks in the concrete. "This is the only cleat we could get to stay in, so we haven't been able to put up the bunks." I said that the concrete must be pretty hard, and he said that I could say that again.

I asked about the food, and he told me that was a problem. "The trouble is," he said, "it spoils. Rust. I guess it's the damp, or something. I opened a can of tomato juice a while back, and it was spoiled. Somebody said you should rotate the food every two years." "Every year," said his little boy, who was with us. "Every year." said Babcock. "Here," he said to his little boy, handing him a can, "take this spaghetti up to the house and we'll have it for lunch." "Every year," said the little boy, going out with the can.

Besides the canned and packaged foods, there were 24 beer-size cans of water for a family of five. I asked Babcock if he thought it was enough. "I guess not," he said. "I ought to get some more. Of course it depends on how long—." "But," he went on, "we have some other stuff to drink," and he pointed to maybe a dozen cans in all of gingerale, root beer, and juices, and four bottles of king-size cola. He said they had instant coffee, too, and he thought they had a hot plate somewhere. "I guess we'd have to drink it cold, if the current went off," he said.

I asked him what they would do for light if the current went off. "Well," he said, "I don't know, exactly. We've got this flashlight, of course." He showed me a flashlight of the sort that burns out in a night. I asked about candles. "I don't think they'd do," he said; "they'd use up the oxygen." "But you'd be getting fresh air through the blower," I said, "so you'd be all right."

"Well," said Babcock, "that's the biggest problem, I guess you might say. As long as the current is on, it works fine." He turned the blower on. It worked fine, but it roared. "It's a little noisy," said Babcock, "on account of the concrete I suppose. But you can see for yourself, it works fine. The trouble is, it might be drawing the radioactive particles right in through the filter from outside. I haven't been able to find out if the filter would keep them out. Another thing is that you're supposed to change the filter, but you'd have to go outside to do that." At this point, he seemed to become thoughtful, and so did I.

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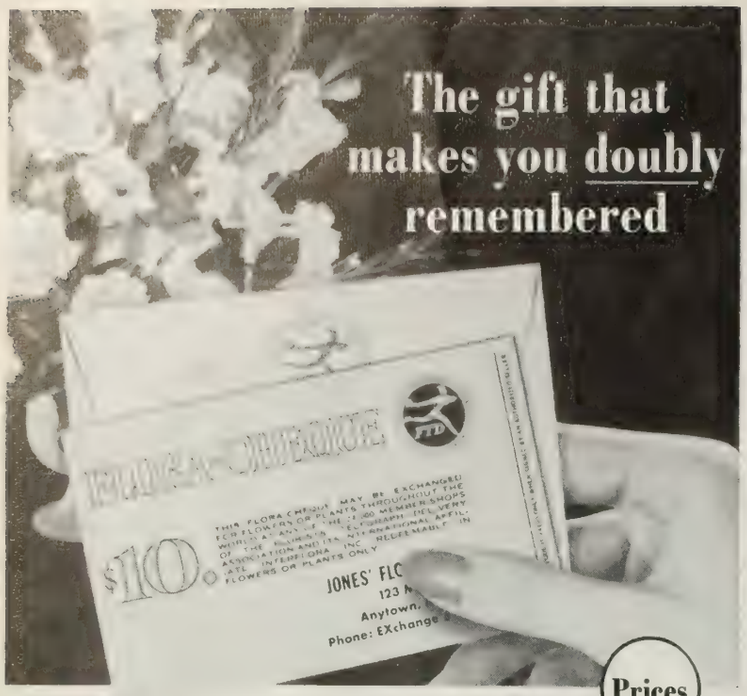
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"And if the current goes off?" I asked.

"Oh," said Babcock, brightening, "you can operate the blower with the hand crank. Here, try it." I tried it, for twenty or thirty seconds, and it nearly broke my arm. "It goes a little hard," said Babcock. "I guess we'd have to do it in shifts if we were going to do it all the time. Of course it depends on how long—." "And," I said, "on whether the filter was drawing radioactive particles in, or napalm, or gas. They"—I meant the Russians—"might use napalm, or gas."

"Gas," said Babcock, without any tone or emphasis. "If they use gas and we use the air pump, I guess we've had it." Neither of us said anything, and then Babcock said, "You know, I guess the pump isn't really much use—except the blower part, to circulate the air you've already got."

Neither of us said anything again, and then Babcock said, "We might be better off to depend entirely on the oxygen tank," and we walked over to the tank, which was, as I've said, a cylinder about six inches in circumference and two feet tall.

"How much oxygen is there in it?" I asked, thinking of his scientific training. He looked at the tag on the cylinder. "I don't really know," he said. "They give you a formula to calculate—by the cubic feet and number of persons and so on—but I haven't had a chance to calculate the formula, there's so darned much to do. The thing's on my desk in the house. It's pretty complicated."

I asked him what it said on the tag. "It says two thousand pounds pressure," he replied, "but I don't know what that means. If I knew the *weight*"—and he turned the tag over. It was blank. I asked him if he had any idea how long it would last in case—. He shook his head and said, "Several days, maybe. I don't really know. I ought to calculate that formula." He shook his head and said, "My wife's a chain smoker. I guess that affects it, too."

It wasn't getting any warmer in the shelter, and I asked Babcock what they'd do for heat in case—. Babcock said that would be a problem, he guessed, but an old Navy man told him that with enough bodies down there it would be warm enough. I said, "Of course, there's such a thing as too much heat in a shelter. The people in those deep shelters in Hamburg died of asphyxiation, but their bodies were charred from the heat above the ground."

Babcock was frowning, and there didn't seem to be anything more to say or to see, so we went on up and out into the summer day. "It's nice outside," said Babcock. "It will be nice to come out after—," I said. "I don't know," said Babcock, "I just don't know. It's a problem."

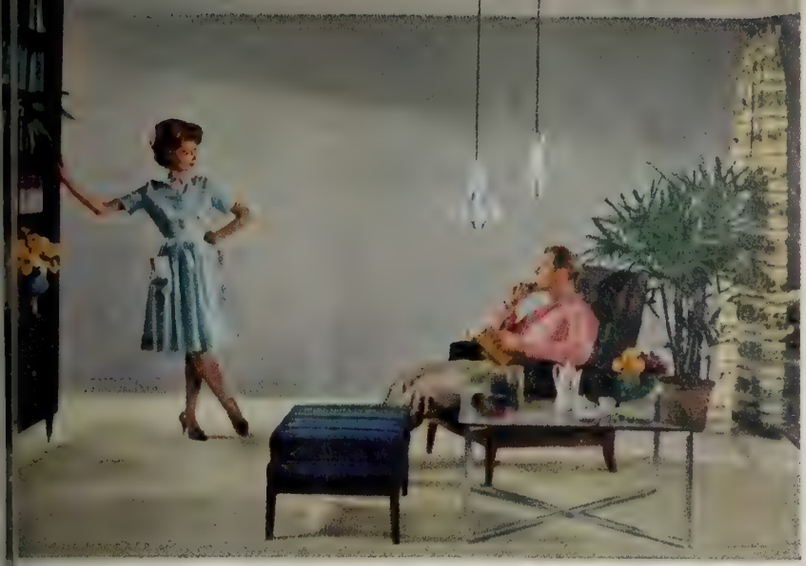
"*It's* a problem?" I said.

Babcock nodded. "Food and water," he said; "what if they're contaminated?" "And air," I said. "Air," said Babcock. "And people," I said. "I suppose," I went on, "that you'll have to keep away from contaminated people." Babcock nodded and said, "But maybe they won't keep away from you." "Well," I said, in a tone with which I might have slapped another man on the back, "keeping away from contaminated people has always been a problem, socially." But he was still frowning.

If I had to apply an adjective to Babcock, I suppose it would be "apathetic." He had certainly lost interest in the shelter. (Had he ever had any?) But there was something more than apathy there. I seemed to be making him actually miserable by asking him the questions anyone would ask about it. He had done his duty by showing me the shelter; he had done his duty by building it; but doing his duty appeared to have touched him with a deep melancholy. Even his, "It's nice outside," was said without much zest.

We stood there in the summer day and said good-by. He said, "If there's anything else you'd like to—," but I was still trying to figure out how he felt. And now, much later, I think I have the answer.

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"Waikiki Beach costs more," says Walter Ledbetter of Dallas, Texas, "but I wouldn't retire anywhere else."

What it's like to move to HAWAII

(Fifth in a series on our best-climate states.)

By Bob Krauss

For a small state, Hawaii has an almost embarrassing amount of pride. Not only do its residents feel sorry for unfortunates who have to live someplace else, but they continually argue among themselves about which part of their paradise is best.

On the capital island of Oahu—where Honolulu and Waikiki's resort hotels are located—people tend to feel smugly superior to their country cousins on the neighboring islands.

The neighbor islanders, on the other hand, don't see how anybody can be comfortable in a place as crowded as Honolulu.

Kauai to the north brags about the lushness of its jungles. Maui to the south claims it has the most beautiful beaches. The "Big Island" of Hawaii boasts active volcanos and the second largest cattle ranch in the United States. Even tiny Molokai, with a population of only 5,000, stoutly maintains it has the best brand of Hawaiian hospitality.

And across each island the arguments go on and on.

People who live on the beaches where the temperature averages between 70 and 75 degrees the year around can't understand why anyone in his right mind wants to live on a mountain (there are three in Hawaii over 10,000 feet high) where a fireplace is a necessity. [*Continued on page 24*

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Bob and Nancy Bethea like the slower pace of life on the "Big Island" of Hawaii, 200 miles from Honolulu.



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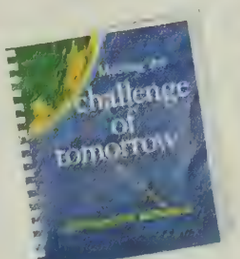
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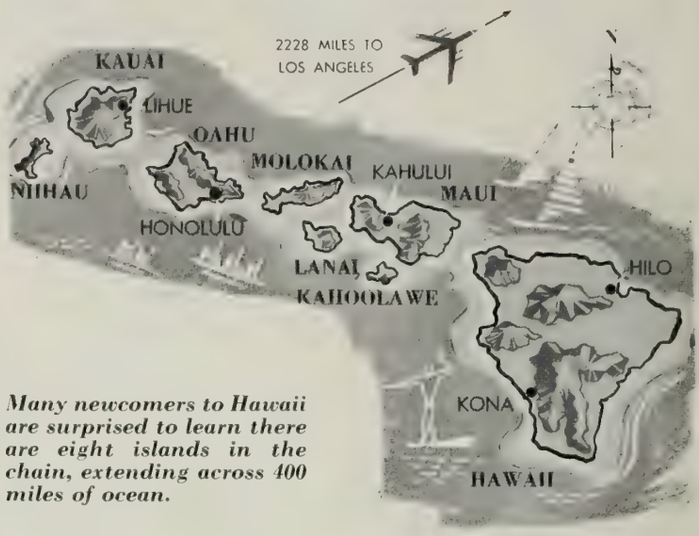


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Many newcomers to Hawaii are surprised to learn there are eight islands in the chain, extending across 400 miles of ocean.

NIIHAU. Private island; its 213 inhabitants speak only Hawaiian, raise sheep, cattle, and bees. No visitors allowed.

KAUAI. This island has a population of 29,600. Most of the people work on pineapple or sugar plantations. Jobs are scarce; living conditions are rural. Scenery and beaches are spectacular.

OAHU. Capital island; its population is 490,000, largely in or near Honolulu. Best job opportunities in Hawaii are here, with a wide variety of sales, service, industrial, and business activity. Real estate and living costs are high. Honolulu has good restaurants, night clubs, professional baseball, symphony concerts, museums, folk festivals, and Hawaii's most famous tourist center, Waikiki Beach. Outside of Honolulu, living conditions graduate from suburban to rural, with beautiful scenery and beaches (but everything is more crowded than on the other islands).

MAUI. The people (46,920) mostly raise sugar cane, pineapples, and cattle. The tourist industry is growing, but jobs are scarce. Food is high, rents reasonable, land costs moderate. Climatic conditions vary from tropical on the beaches to cool in upper elevations. Unsurpassed in scenery, Maui has more beaches than any of the other islands.

MOLOKAI. This most "native" of all the islands has a population of 5,340, mostly engaged in raising pineapples and cattle.

LANAI. Owned by a pineapple firm, Lanai is one big pineapple plantation. Population is 3,720. Very rural; practically no job opportunities.

HAWAII. Called the "Big Island," it has 73,276 people, of whom 25,634 live in the town of Hilo. Hawaii produces sugar, pineapples, cattle, farm produce, and exotic fruits. The tourist industry is growing, but job opportunities are limited. Living conditions are rural, with a wide range of climatic conditions to choose from. Magnificent scenery includes frequently erupting volcanoes. Not many beaches.

KAHOOLAWE. Uninhabited now. This island is used as a target for submarine torpedo and high level bombing practice.

People who live back up in the hills where it rains a lot feel sorry for those below who have to water their lawns. (And they don't even have a view!) Meanwhile, the lowland people wonder how uplanders can live in such a damp, unhealthy climate. (With no beach near by!)

The fact is, climatic conditions vary so dramatically on any given island that a drive of a mile or two can take you from a cool, rainy, jungle-like retreat to a sun-baked, wind-swept seashore where even the garden plants are different.

Given such a wide variety of living conditions to choose from, each family in the 50th state tends to develop its own way of life. While the accent is always on informality and more or less outdoor living, there are surprising differences in what happens to people when they come to Hawaii. Here are some good examples.

Waikiki has been the answer to our retirement problem," said Mrs. Walter Ledbetter of Dallas, Texas, as she glanced across their one-room, kitchenette apartment at her husband. "It's hard to make the transition from working every day to just loafing. Hawaii has helped my husband a great deal.

"When Walter retired two years ago, after 37 years of selling on the road, he had a history of stomach ulcers and a nervous condition. Today he is more relaxed and his ulcers are much better."

Walter explains it this way. "The climate has done wonders for me. I go to Waikiki Beach every morning of the year except Sundays. Some of us retired folks got acquainted and formed a beach club. The roll is called every morning. If you're late, you have to pay a fine."

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Eleanor Ledbetter adds, "We like Waikiki because there are other retired people for Walter to get to know. In Dallas they are hard to find."

Mrs. Ledbetter, who is ten years younger than her husband, works as a stenographer at Fort Shafter, a seven-mile drive from Waikiki. A long-time civil service employee, she prefers working because it not only helps with the family finances but gives her something to do. "I'd be bored otherwise," she says.

So she and her husband have switched jobs since his retirement.

"I fix breakfast," he says. "In a little apartment like this, it doesn't take but 15 minutes. I have dinner on the table when Eleanor comes home from work. And I do a little housework and the laundry."

They eat out about twice a week. Walter's favorite cafe is a place that serves a delicious portion of fried mahimahi (dolphin) for a dollar. The Ledbetters shop for groceries every Saturday at a nearby supermarket; the bill usually comes to about $25.

"There's never a dull day in Honolulu," he says. "All you have to do is look in the paper. There are always free hula shows and lectures and concerts. Sometimes I go to Iolani Palace (the state capitol building) to hear the legislature wrangle. Every now and then, there's a Chinese wedding reception at Lau Yee Chai restaurant and they shoot off a long string of firecrackers. And I've done more reading in the past two years than I did in the 20 years before.

"When there's nothing else to do, we go to Kalakaua Avenue (the main street of Waikiki) and look at the people. I've never seen so many strange characters!"

Walter also teaches Sunday School. He says, "These kids really tug at your heart strings. Over at this little church, there are at least six or seven races. In Dallas I never sat in church with anybody but white people.

"These people are as Christian as anybody I ever met. The minister is Chinese. I'm a deacon. One of the other deacons is Dan Liu, the Honolulu Chief of Police. I'm working on the committee now trying to borrow some money so the church can buy more land."

Rather than buy a home in Honolulu, the Ledbetters rent a small, second-floor apartment for $130 a month. It is two blocks from Waikiki Beach. The same apartment in another location, Walter says, would rent for $80 to $90. But he prefers to be convenient to the beach, restaurants, concerts, stores, and supermarkets.

While the Ledbetters find some prices high (especially real estate) in Waikiki, others are lower than those in Dallas. "We save on clothing," Walter says. "Another thing, in Waikiki we don't have to pay for air conditioning and heating. In Dallas, electricity runs $30 to $40 a month because you run the air-conditioner from May to October, then turn on the winter heat on November 1."

With an income of $110 in rent from their house in Dallas, plus Eleanor's salary and Walter's retirement, they are able to save.

"I don't think it would be a good thing for everyone who retires to try Hawaii, because the cost of living in Honolulu is too high," says Eleanor. "But for us it had been the dream—and now the reality—of a lifetime."

Charlie King fell in love with the sleepy island of Maui as a Navy flier during World War II. Today, at 49, he and his wife, Jane, live there on the slope of an extinct volcano with a view commanding miles of magnificent coast line.

But it took him more than 12 years and every cent he could borrow to make his dream come true.

Maui, 100 miles by plane from Oahu, is totally different from Charlie's native Terre Haute, Indiana. The largest city, Wailuku, has a population of not quite 7,000. The principal industries are sugar cane and pineapples. Over three-quarters of the residents are of Oriental, Filipino, or Hawaiian descent.

Why do Charlie and Jane like Maui?

"Oh, brother, it's everything," Charlie says. "We came here with nothing—and I mean nothing. And everything that's happened has been good."

The "everything good" does not include getting rich. What Charlie makes as a car salesman for Maui Motors in Wailuku isn't enough to meet the bills. So Jane clerks on weekends and holidays in a store in tiny Lahaina, an old whaling port 45 miles from home.

But Jane and Charlie claim to have found something more important than money on the island of Maui.

"It's the attitude of people here," said Charlie as he gazed out over the ocean.

"There's a prison farm on this island. Once, a prisoner escaped and all the people in the area were in a big tizzy. There had never been any reason for locking their doors before—and none of them could find their house keys!"

Jane puts it another way.

"I couldn't see at first why Charlie liked Maui so much. But gradually I found out. I've discovered that the scenery makes up for everything—even the hard work and the high cost of living. Why, every night we have a spectacular sunset.

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"Our company tries to build the best houses it can for the money, and we have been successful in reducing costs by using mass production and other methods. But, from here on out, to cut costs much more, we'll have to get out from under some problems we can't solve for ourselves.

"For instance, some of the building codes in the 18 townships in suburban Pittsburgh where our company builds are over 25 years old. Besides this, each township has a different code, which often conflicts with the others, even though topography, drainage, fire hazards, and all the other conditions which affect codes are virtually identical.

"As a result, the cost of a given house can vary as much as $800 from one town to the next. Furthermore, these codes make it impossible for me to use such simple cost-cutting methods as plywood subfloors or prefabricated roof trusses in some places. To really cut costs, we should be able to use wiring harnesses, plumbing cores, or even components such as complete bathroom units, but we can't even think of using such products with our building codes.

"Besides improving codes, local governments must improve the zoning and land regulations. Now, when a builder plans a development, he runs a big risk of getting caught by an overnight, unpredictable change in zoning. For instance, over a year ago, we bought a large tract in an unzoned township. When we presented our plans to the Allegheny County Zoning Board (as we must when a township has no code) they were promptly approved. But then, town commissioners suddenly demanded that we pay not only for installation of a sewage system and treatment plant—which we had planned to do—but that we also indirectly finance a sewer in another area by paying a $250 sewage tapping charge on each of our houses.

"I don't object to sensible changes in land usage regulations, and I don't object when towns have very tough rules and enforce them vigorously. On the contrary, I like to know where I stand at all times. All the applicable regulations should be available to the builder for his examination before he buys the land.

"I'd like to see all communities draw up long-range plans for land use. Only when a town has such plans and sticks to them can a builder feel safe about investing in land to develop for lower-cost housing.

"Another bit of red tape that loses us an average of two days on every house is the time taken for the various inspections by the FHA man, the plumbing man, the electrical man, and the building man. We certainly encourage inspections as a second check in quality control, but why should our customers have to pay for the extra time taken by so many inspectors? Why not let one man do the work of all four?

"Now let's have a look at the building industry itself. First of all, if we are ever to have lower cost houses, union featherbedding must stop. It is no secret in the building industry that restrictive practices, such as limiting the number of bricks a mason can lay in a day, drive home costs up.

"But it isn't all a matter of featherbedding. In our own case, our ability to produce homes at reasonable prices is partly due to the fact that we have an incentive bonus system for our best and fastest crews and we see to it that people in our organization get ahead on ability. Everyone—from carpenter to management—identifies himself with the job, instead of merely putting in a day's work.

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Ed Ryan, Pittsburgh home builder

"If our workmen had production limitations, I would estimate that a house we now sell for $16,985, including lot, would market at somewhere near $19,200.

"I also believe that the price rise would not stop there. If we had to hike the prices of our houses, we would sell fewer of them and consequently we would be unable to take advantage, as we do now, of mass purchasing and quantity production methods. This in turn would send prices higher yet. This situation would snowball, as it has elsewhere in the country.

"Union leaders admit that the price of our houses would show a slight increase at first, but then would level off. However, they are arguing on the basis of the contract they are trying to promote in the Pittsburgh area. It contains a three-year clause against strikes, restrictive practices, and other such tactics. This is good so far as it goes, but I'm convinced that—once the three-year grace period is over—my costs would go up and up. It's been the pattern elsewhere."

(*The Building Trades Department, a federation of AFL-CIO building unions is on record, nationally, with a "Ten Commandments of Labor," designed to end featherbedding. Three of the 10 points are significant:*

- *Workmen shall be at their regular place of work at the starting time and shall remain at their place of work until the regular quitting time.*
- *There shall be no limit on production of workmen nor restriction on the full use of proper tools or equipment.*
- *Slowdowns, forcing of overtime, spread-work tactics, stand-by crews, and featherbedding practices have been and are condemned.*

But the power to live up to these stated principles rests with local union leadership. Until these principles are written into local contracts—and are enforced—the kind of progress we want cannot happen.)

"The biggest problem that any builder faces is complacency—in everyone he works with. People are too content to do things as they've always done them.

"One of our plumbing subcontractors does an excellent job, but when I asked him, 'Why can't we put a plumbing tree into our houses?' he answered, 'You just can't.' This *can't-do* attitude will never bring down the price of houses.

"The building industry needs men who want and try to make changes. In the final analysis, home prices will never come down until all the people in the industry take the positive attitude that prices can and will be lowered."

Ed Ryan is one of the dynamic men who tries to make changes. His relentless searching for better and more economical ways of building pay off with lower prices for his homes. "Ed has an enthusiasm for cutting costs that is almost a religion," explains one of his associates. "He works harder than any of us. And he has the foresight to take chances to reach his goal."

Ryan has become a volume builder. In 1951, he put up 75 houses. Last year, he built 900. The simple fact that he mass-produces houses lets him lower prices. He pays less for materials and equipment bought in volume. He makes more efficient use of labor and spreads his overhead wider. In short, Ed Ryan has learned the principles of other successful American businesses.

In order to bring about substantial savings, Ryan has had to standardize his home designs. Instead of building anything the customer wants, he offers 20 different models. These models are not look alikes, but they have many common components. Because Ryan's construction crews do the same work over and over again, they become more efficient, completing a house in 60 days rather than the 100 it used to take.

Standardization means that the number of items carried in stock is greatly reduced. In 1951, Ryan used about 70 different size windows in his houses. This tied up money and added to his cost of doing business. Today he uses only ten window sizes.

Because Ryan restricts himself to 20 basic house designs, he can pinpoint labor costs and set up rigid schedules for each house. Woe to the supervisor who runs over his budget or allows one building crew to run overtime and get in the way of the crew for the next job. The same tough-minded administration is applied to purchasing and inventory. Every aspect of the Ryan organization is under a constant tightening-up process providing the control necessary to eliminate waste motion and materials.

Ryan manages some prefabricating of components despite the conflicting codes under which he must operate. Because of these restrictive codes, he hesitates to make the major investment in a large prefabbing plant. However, because of the high degree of standardization in his models, Ryan can have more materials precut in his warehouse at a major savings in labor. This material is delivered to the building site in accordance with a strict schedule, so that labor crew and precut material arrive simultaneously. New equipment that cuts costs is used wherever possible (automatic nailers, preassembled scaffolding), and new step-saving materials (such as high-strength insulation sheathing that eliminates corner bracing) also find wide application in Ryan-built homes.

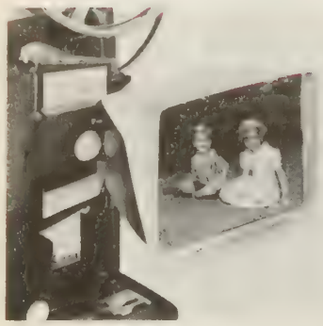
By standing back of his homes, Ryan attracts new customers. Each Ryan house has a year's guarantee. It is thoroughly inspected twice in the first six months on a scheduled visit after it is sold. Any defects attributable to the builder are repaired without charge. There is also a survey at the end of the year, and if there are any complaints, these are remedied, too.

These inspections cost money, but the extra expense is more than compensated for because many costly, unexpected demands for service are eliminated. Happy buyers attract new customers, production is stepped up, and costs go down accordingly.

To get lower priced houses, it takes the enterprising business methods of men like Ed Ryan. It is the builder, at the "grass roots" of the building industry, who ultimately will decide whether new materials and methods survive. It is the builder who will have to work within the exasperating limitations imposed by misinformed local governments and still, through his native ingenuity, come up with a lower cost product. It is the builder who will have to assume the role of malcontent among all those steeped in self-interest and complacency. Let's hope that other builders will follow Ed Ryan along this rocky road to success.

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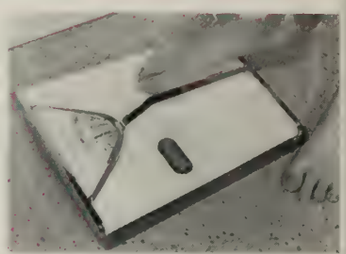
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Scale, $15.95, in stores. Borg-Erickson Corp., 1133 N. Kilbourn Ave., Chicago 51, Ill.



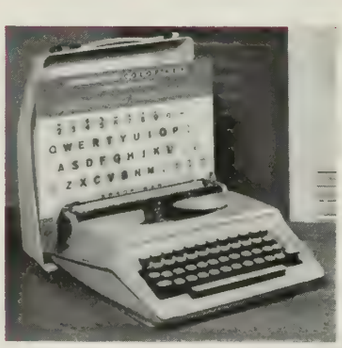
Interchangeable appliances are powered by one compact control base. Mixer, blender, juicer, knife sharpener, coffee grinder, lock onto base. Base is dial-controlled to speeds ranging from very low to super fast, to store in a drawer.

Lady Casco Chef-Mate, $119.95, in stores. Casco Products, Lady Casco Div., Bridgeport, Conn.



Cordless cleaner. Set has 6 pads, for scrubbing and scouring; 2 nylon fiber pads for polishing flatware and copper, and cleaning sinks; plastic brush cleans vegetables, dinnerware, glassware. Case houses two 6-volt batteries. Motor is hermetically water-sealed in handle.

Scourmaster Set, $29.95, in stores. Minitone Electronics Inc., 104 E. 25th St., New York 10, N. Y.



A self-contained typewriter, with base of turquoise, blue, red, black, green, or yellow, combines with separate white cover to form carrying case. In pica or elite type styles. Chart matches fingers to keyboard by color.

"Starfire" Portable Typewriter, $59.95, in stores. Remington Rand, Portable Typewriter Div., Sperry Rand Corp., 315 Park Ave. South, New York 10, N.Y.



Designed for compact living. Spinet player piano, finished in rubbed walnut, measures a snug 38¾ in. high, 45 in. wide, 26 in. in depth. When not in use, sliding panels cover the player mechanism and pedals to become manual model. Many piano rolls are available. *Player Piano*, about $995, in stores. Pianola, Inc., 33 W. 57th, New York, N.Y.

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Carpet: "Souvenir" by Gulistan



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For our fine-feathered friends. Easy-to-mount, two-story Martin House has 12 compartments. Measures 18x19x16 in. (ht). House of all-aluminum construction has green and white baked enamel aluminum floors and walls. Roof is stucco embossed natural aluminum. Hinged doors on each compartment swing out to permit cleaning each section separately. Mounting bracket fits wood post or up to 1¾-in. pipe.

Model M-12 Martin House, $24.95, in stores. Trio Mfg. Co., Griggsville, Ill.



Enjoy the fun of bowling right in your own home. Candle Pin bowling, where downed pins are used to pick up spares, is becoming popular sport. Any number can play. The 4½-in. candle-pin balls are easy to grasp and roll; pins are lightweight flexible polyethylene (can't damage walls, mar floors, or scratch furniture). Set consists of 10 pins, 3 balls, score pad, sheet showing pin positions, rules and instructions. Good recreational gift.

Candle Pin Bowling Set, $25, in stores. Cosom Corp., 6030 Wayzata Blvd., Minneapolis 16, Minn.



Private listening device reproduces sound with the convenience of a remote volume control and speaker switch; attaches to radio or TV set. Two jacks enable 2 persons to use instrument at the same time. Accompanying ear set, with nylon loop to slip over either ear, weighs less than an ounce. Volume may be increased as needed for the hard-of-hearing.

TV Listener, $14.85, in stores. Telex, Inc., Telex Park, St. Paul 1, Minn.



Out-of-this-world multipurpose table adjusts from 15 to 29½ in. high; top measures 31x41 in. Permanent-finish map of the tides and galaxies of the universe covers top. Edges have bright yellow squares, containing interplanetary distance chart, and spaceship time schedules. Matching wild pecan armchairs, with black leather seats, may be purchased separately.

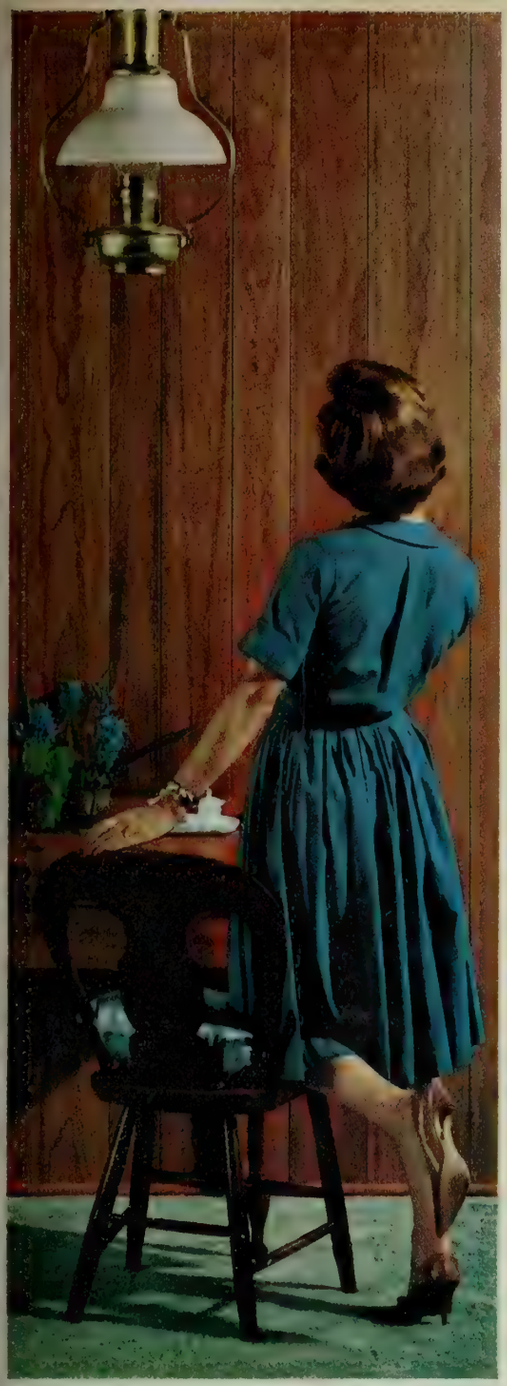
Out-of-this-World Table, about $99, chairs $29 ea. Tonk Mfg. Co., 1912 N. Magnolia, Chicago 14, Ill.



Slim shape gives new look to simple-to-operate camera. When flash lid is open, shutter automatically sets for correct speed. When lid is closed, shutter sets to best speed for outdoor shots. Jellybean-size bulb that camera uses may be left in ready for use any time but will not fire when flash-holder lid is closed. Besides camera, package includes film, bulbs, batteries, neck strap.

Kodak Brownie Super 27 Camera outfit, about $19. Eastman Kodak Co., Rochester 4, N.Y.





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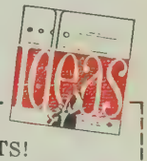
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PROJECT	CLASSES	96 QUALIFYING WINNERS		12 DIVISION WINNERS
1 Exteriors	A	8 $100 winners	Field of 24 for div. prizes	A $500
	B	8 $100 winners		B $500
	C	8 $100 winners		C $500
2 Interiors	A	8 $100 winners	Field of 24 for div. prizes	A $500
	B	8 $100 winners		B $500
	C	8 $100 winners		C $500
3 Additions	A	8 $100 winners	Field of 24 for div. prizes	A $500
	B	8 $100 winners		B $500
	C	8 $100 winners		C $500
4 Kitchens & Utility Rooms	A	8 $100 winners	Field of 24 for div. prizes	A $500
	B	8 $100 winners		B $500
	C	8 $100 winners		C $500

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3rd PRIZE OF $1,500

The grand total for qualifying, division, and best-of-contest winners equals $30,000

Note that the grand-prize winner of $9,400 already will have won $600, giving him $10,000

The same formula holds true for the second-prize winner: $3,500 added to $600 equals $4,100

The third prize of $1,500, plus $600, gives the winner a total of $2,100

You have the opportunity to improve your home—and win big money for doing it! Just fill out this card

Here are details on our big 1962 contest. Money for remodeling now will be more plentiful than ever before.

Once we receive your preliminary entry, we will send, free of charge, a detailed kit to help you complete your final entry as easily as possible. Final entry materials include templates for furniture arrangement and kitchen planning—plus an entry form to be filled out and mailed to us after you complete your project. There's room for those all-important before-and-after snapshots, floor plans, and other project description.

You can enter more than one category. Here's an example: If you make an addition to your house, and that addition happens to be an improved kitchen, you could choose to enter your project in both additions and kitchen-utility categories. By the same token, sections of a comprehensive project could take in exterior painting, kitchen improvements, room addition, and an interior refurnishing. This way you could qualify for all four categories. But it is necessary that you use a separate final entry form for each entry. We will be glad to send as many final forms as you specify for your projects.

During the coming months, *Better Homes & Gardens* will be loaded with over 200 pages of inspiration and how-to on home improvement projects. (Note the beginning of our special 26-page Planning Series on the next page.)

A reminder: Tell your friends who don't have the magazine that preliminary entries may be picked up at stores in your locality displaying the *Better Homes & Gardens* "Contest Headquarters" emblem.

Don't forget that there are 96 big cash winners in all! In addition, other cash and merchandise prizes will be announced in your final entry kit.

Here are possible projects (among many) that you could adapt to your home:

1) EXTERIORS: Painting, roofing, residing. Structures, as garage, workshop, fallout shelter. Landscape improvements—as a trellis, fence, pool, or new plantings.

2) INTERIORS: (except kitchen-utility) New furnishings, decorating, papering, painting. Updating bathroom, improving a window area, constructing a fallout shelter.

3) ADDITIONS: Any new, enclosed space attached to your house.

4) KITCHEN-UTILITY AREAS: Updating of kitchen equipment; increasing kitchen efficiency through better traffic, storage, and work areas.

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HOW TO GET STARTED

PLANNING SERIES No. 1

What you need to know to get your project off the ground

1 Decide exactly what you want your remodeling to accomplish. Make a list of the ills you're trying to cure, then work out the most logical answers. Consider every alternative. Think in terms of size and exact locations as you develop your ideas. Consider future needs as children grow older; try to build flexibility into the plan. And—be flexible yourself. Sleep on every idea you have, then try to think of a better way.

2 Get professional help at this point to make a preliminary survey of your plans. An architect or contractor will tell you if the plans you've made are workable or not. He will advise you about building codes and restrictions that have bearing on your plans, and whether the actual structure of your house will allow the changes you have in mind. If your remodeling project isn't very extensive, a contractor can tell you all you'll need to know at this stage. However, never underestimate the usefulness of an architect's advice, even at this early stage. Many people hesitate to consult an architect because they feel that his services will be too costly. But on any extensive project, he will probably save you money, and more important, he will bring his knowledge to bear on your problem—resulting in greater long-term satisfaction with your finished remodeling.

3 Get a rough estimate of the cost of your project. Most remodelings can be estimated fairly closely on the basis of square footage alone. Therefore, no extensive, time-consuming plans need be made by your contractor or architect to get this estimate. You'll need these figures before you can go to a lending institution to arrange for financing. When you discuss the costs with your contractor, make it a point to include a few dream ideas that you would like to have, but could live without. This gives you some leeway when bargaining with the lending institution. In any case, never make the rough estimate lower than is realistic. If you plan to do the work yourself, you'll still have to go to building-materials dealers to get some idea of costs.

4 Your first trip to the lender comes next. Here's where you find out whether or not you can get a loan, before you spend lots of time and money in planning. Often, lending institutions are unwilling to make loans on houses in older neighborhoods, or for remodelings that will add so much to the value of the house that it would be unsalable in its location. Also, the state of your mortgage, the amount of your equity, and other financial considerations can influence the lender. Don't be content with one set of terms, however. Shop around to get the best deal available.

5 Make detailed plans with the help of your contractor or architect. If you haven't consulted an architect up to this point, give it serious consideration now. Even the simple addition of a room can profit by an architect's analysis of the exterior treatment, traffic flow, space usage. Besides this, the architect takes the responsibility of getting the job done. You work out the details of your project with him, then he deals with the contractor as the work goes along. When making these final plans, you'll have a fairly firm budget to work within, based on the loan ceiling set by the lender. You'll have to choose between many kinds of finishes and details, giving up some ideas in order to carry out others. Always keep your basic goals in mind, and make these detail choices in the way that will most logically carry out the over-all purpose of your remodeling.

6 When your plans are complete, you're ready to go to your lending institution for the loan. On all but Title I loans or personal loans, the lender will require a detailed cost analysis of your remodeling. Your contractor or architect will provide this. He will also take care of such details as getting a building permit and providing for proper setback and lot-line clearances, in accordance with local building regulations. If you're going to a lender other than the one who holds the original mortgage on your home, you'll need your passbook to show the unpaid balance on your original mortgage. The lending institution will make an appraisal of your house—for which you will be charged if the loan is approved—and an abstract search, just as when you bought the house. When your loan is approved and you have the money, you're ready to let the bid.

7 Letting the bid to a contractor is a mere formality if you have been working with one contractor through the whole planning phase, and if you still want him to do the work. However, you are not obligated to let the bid to him if you don't want to. You can take competitive bids from several contractors on the basis of the final plans you've made. Just make sure that the bids you get specify the type of materials to be used and that you come to a complete agreement about the extent of the work. Insist upon detailed specifications in writing to protect yourself from changes as the work goes along.

And now, here's how to get the money ➡

This is the year to do that home improvement project you've been putting off—and here's some basic information to get you started

Where you get your loan will depend in part on how much you need to borrow. For comparatively small jobs such as new kitchen cabinets or adding a window, a personal loan might be the answer. For larger projects, you'll probably need some form of mortgage loan.

You'll also want to shop around to see where you can get the best all-around deal. All lending institutions do NOT have the same interest rates or offer the same service. Talk to several firms before borrowing.

Here are two case histories and three explanations of possible sources of money for your remodeling.

New mortgage This family wanted to add a new room and generally rearrange the floor plan of their one-time $12,000 home. They needed new space badly but preferred not to move into another neighborhood. To finance their remodeling, they paid off the $8,400 principal remaining on their old mortgage. The new mortgage gave them the $6,000 needed for improvements. The change in their financial picture looked like this:

	BEFORE	AFTER
Principal	$10,100	$14,400
Interest Rate	4½%	6%
Life	20 years	25 years
Payments		
Principal and interest	$63.93	$95.36
Taxes and insurance	22.19	32.14
Total	$86.12	$127.50

FHA Title I home improvement loan This family borrowed $1,600 for remodeling and, doing much of the work themselves, increased the value of their home by $2,300! (From $13,900 to $16,200)

They had been in their 1½-story home three months when they decided to partition the basement and finish the upstairs. They added two bedrooms, four closets and a full bath with a shower. The cost of their project was:

Building materials	$ 956.21
Paint & floor tile	81.05
Electrical (subcontracted)	105.00
Heating (subcontracted)	93.12
Plumbing (subcontracted)	305.00
Shower tile & shower rod	26.45
Building permit	8.00
	$1574.83

Because of the short time they'd paid on the original mortgage, this family could not extend it. Instead, they arranged for an FHA Title I loan for 48 months. Their payments for the duration of the second loan will be:

	PRINCIPAL	PAYMENTS
Mortgage	$12,900	$106.00
Improvement Loan	1,600	37.50
Total	$14,500	$143.50

Personal loan Perhaps the easiest (though not always the cheapest) way to finance projects costing $500 or less, is a personal loan from a credit union or other lending agency. Credit-union loans usually carry interest rates of 1 to 2 per cent per month. Here's a typical schedule of payments on a $200 loan from a credit union charging 1% monthly interest.

Life of loan	6 mo.	12 mo.	18 mo.	24 mo.
Monthly payment	$34.51	$17.77	$12.20	$ 9.42
Cost of loan	$ 7.06	$13.24	$19.60	$26.08

Open-end readvance Many recent mortgages have an open-end clause that permits reborrowing as much as the difference between the amount of the original mortgage and your present balance. You can borrow at the same interest rate as your mortgage and without a large closing cost. The money can be repaid either of two ways: by increasing your payments or by extending your present payments. If your mortgage does not have this open-end provision, you can negotiate to get it converted.

FHA section 203 (k) loan The National Housing Act of 1961 now makes it possible to get home improvement mortgage loans of from $2,500 to $10,000. Until now, $3,500 was the maximum Federal Housing Administration home improvement loan. The new loans carry a maximum interest rate of 6 per cent simple interest plus ½ of 1 per cent FHA insurance fees.

The rate on FHA Title I loans amounts to about 10 per cent true annual interest. Chief advantage of the new loans is that they avoid refinancing your present mortgage at less favorable rates.

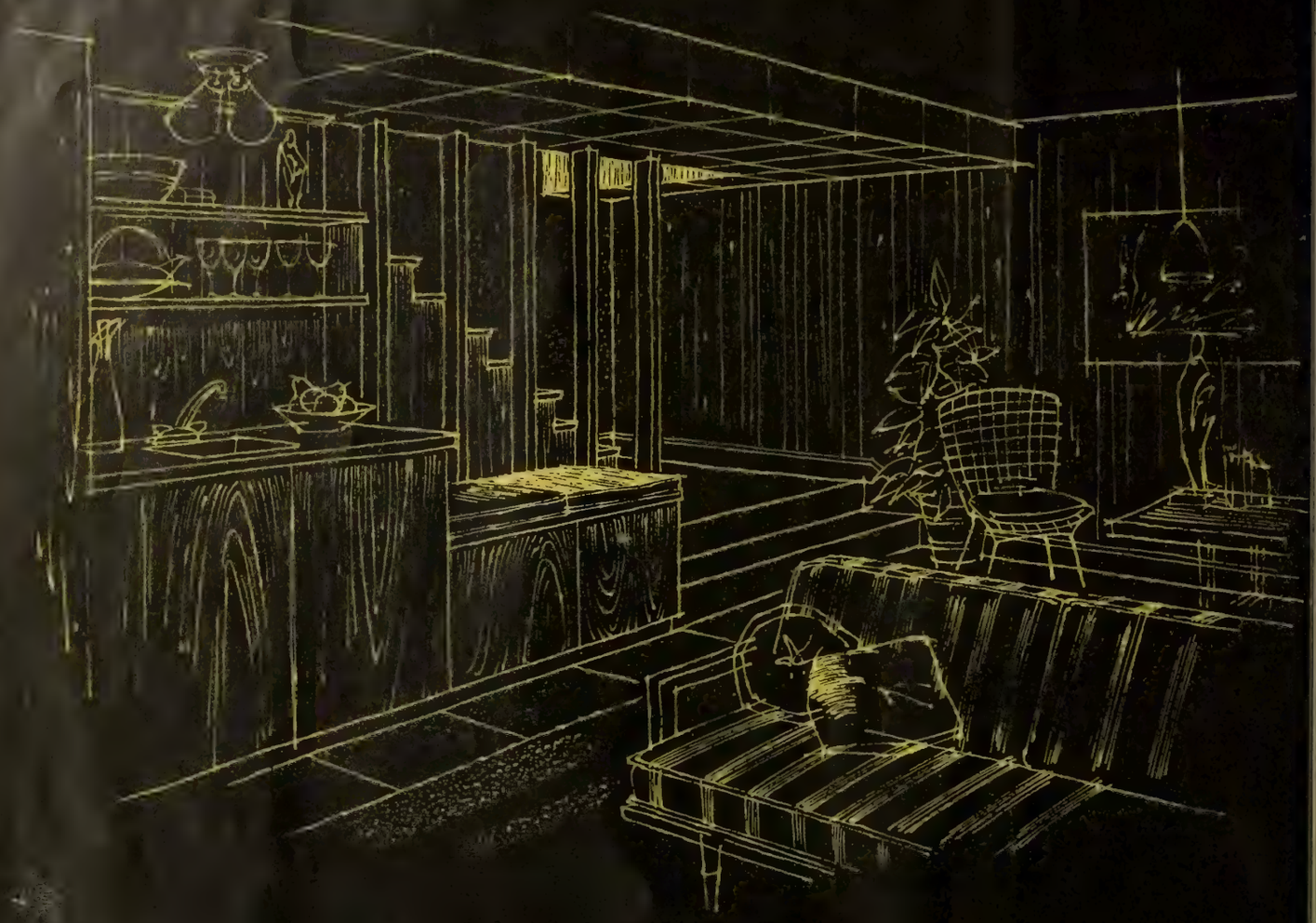
Depending on the amount you want and the lender's policies, you may have to give a second mortgage, but it will be at the 6½ per cent rate and without the costly discount that frequently makes the true interest rate on second mortgages as high as 8 to 10 per cent.

The new FHA loan can be written for five, ten, fifteen, or even as long as twenty years.

Basements, attics, garages, walls ➡

BASEMENTS

PLANNING SERIES No. 2



Basement family room can take rough treatment like no other part of house



A workshop that keeps Dad with the family can be completely closed off when sawdust flies

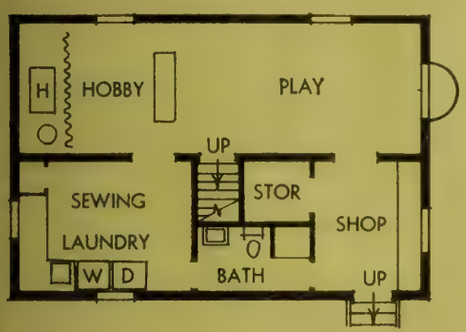


Easy-to-build counter and overhead cabinets keep the whole family's hobbies in one place

Ready-and-waiting space in your basement offers economical bonus living areas that can take the pressure off all the rest of the house. And since it is space already enclosed, heated, and usable, you can create full-time rooms there that cost you less per square foot than any other kind of expansion.

Develop your plan of action as you would with any other kind of remodeling. First decide what you want; then start working on the floor plan. If you don't have a plan of your basement, draw one to scale using graph paper. Measure your basement accurately; locate stairs, heating equipment, and any interior basement walls. These permanent things are factors that you'll need to consider in your basic planning.

Allot floor space according to your needs. Lay out the areas that need to be enclosed or partitioned off, but keep in mind that the more open the plan is, the more flexible it will be. Shut away only those parts that are unsightly or areas that need privacy. In the plan below, the major space is given over to



one large hobby and play area. However, the ironing board can stay ready for action in the laundry-sewing area. A new direct-to-the-outside stairway in the workshop gives easy access for project materials. A pull-across door screens the furnace without the expense of another partition wall, and also leaves it readily accessible.

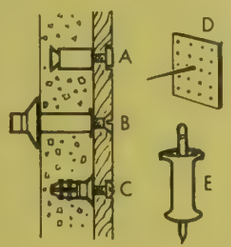
Choose your material with care—consider along with the costs the job each part of the room will do. If your new basement room is to be for noisy activities, acoustical tile on the ceiling helps confine the din. Or, you can use gypsum wallboard overhead. It's easily nailed in place, and you can hide the joints with heavy-textured paint.



Furring that drops the ceiling to conceal heat pipes and other obstructions should be designed into other features to make the camouflage less noticeable. A pipe near a wall can be concealed by adding a soffit above bookshelf wall. Gas and electric meters can be covered with cabinets. The doors open so the meters can be read. Hinged-top benches will do the same job. For best results, make the enclosures something you can use.

For the walls, paneling is usually the most satisfactory answer. You can buy it at a wide range of prices. Hardboard paneling is less expensive than most wood types, resists basement moisture and can take rough wear easily. It comes ready to paint or in woodgrain or solid color plastic-finished types. Veneered plywood is becoming more and more economical and is available in a wide range of finishes. Factory finishes provide carefree, tough surfaces. Estimate the cost of brushes and finishing materials when comparing prices of prefinished versus unfinished paneling.

Gypsum wallboard is less expensive than paneling and will do well in low traffic areas.

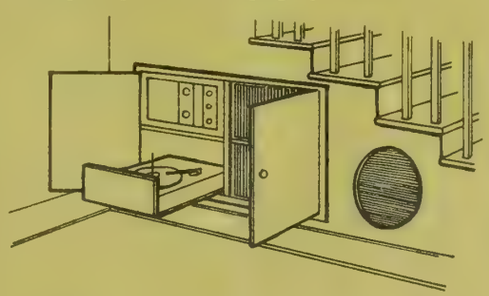


Furring strips are necessary on all masonry walls and the ceiling, no matter what kind of surfacing material you use. These 1x3 softwood strips can be fastened to the walls with (a) fiber anchor plugs with screws, (b) flange-type screw anchors, (c) lead anchors with screws, (d) adhesive anchor nails, or (e) drive anchors.

The floor can be warm enough for children's play, if you raise it with 2x4 furring on edge, then add a subfloor and hardwood floor as you would in above-ground construction. It's not expensive, especially if you supply the labor. Use the techniques shown in Planning Series Number 4 on garages.

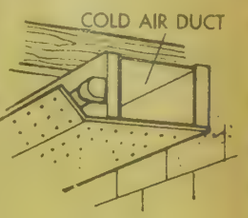
Tile for the basement should be either vinyl asbestos or asphalt. Asphalt prices are lower; vinyl asbestos requires less upkeep. Wood parquet blocks can also be laid on concrete.

Painting walls, floors, and ceilings is the most economical way to finish your basement. New latex-based paints have been adapted for both basement walls and floors. Cement-bonding paints also can be used on the walls to help stop minor seepage problems.

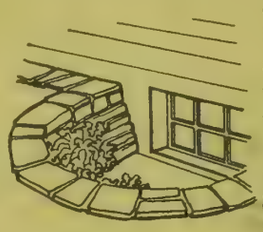


Design the stairway to look light and airy by leaving the space below it open and continuing your floor covering into that area. If you need extra room for storage, make the space below the steps work for you by enclosing it. Or build in a music center like this one.

Lighting often means the difference in whether or not your new basement areas pay real dividends, so don't skimp in this part of your remodeling. Plan a high level of general lighting for play and work areas. Fixtures recessed between the joists insure plenty of head room. They're available in many styles, both fluorescent and incandescent. Add good lamps and special-purpose lights where you need them. Use cove lighting to help disguise unwanted cold air ducts, supporting beams, or plumbing runs. The drawing shows one way to conceal the source of light, yet provide the necessary illumination. Attach the fixture to the duct and add the wood strips as shown. You can use low-wattage incandescents this way in small, inexpensive porcelain fixtures.

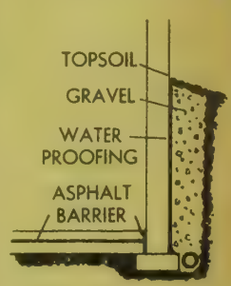


Daylight and ventilation are important and should be kept at a maximum. If your windows are the too-small type, the window opening can be made larger and new windows installed. You will probably want a professional to remove the masonry and install the windows, but you can do the spadework needed to increase the size of the areaway. If your window is below the ground surface, create a special view by enlarging the hole and lining the walls with stone or brick. If you do this without mortar, add plantings to help hold the dirt. Slope the bottom away from the house and cover with gravel so that water can drain out easily.



If you have a water problem, first inspect the slope of the ground all around your house. It must slope away from the foundation at all points, so that surface water is carried away before it has a chance to soak into the ground near the basement walls and later find its way through the wall itself. If the walls inside are cracked, you can often stop leaks by fixing the crack itself. Use a good quality stop leak, firmly pressed into the chipped-out cracks.

For more serious water leakage, you may need to dig a trench, and add (or clean out) drain tiles along the footings. Then coat the outside of the wall with a waterproof cement or a tar waterproofer as shown in the drawing. Refill the trench around the house with gravel for drainage. Make sure the topsoil slopes away from house. If water seeps in through a bad joint between the floor and the wall or through cracks in the floor itself, the best solution is to cover the floor with an asphalt barrier and add a new 2-inch-thick layer of concrete on top. Not only do you solve the water problem, but also have a new, level floor.

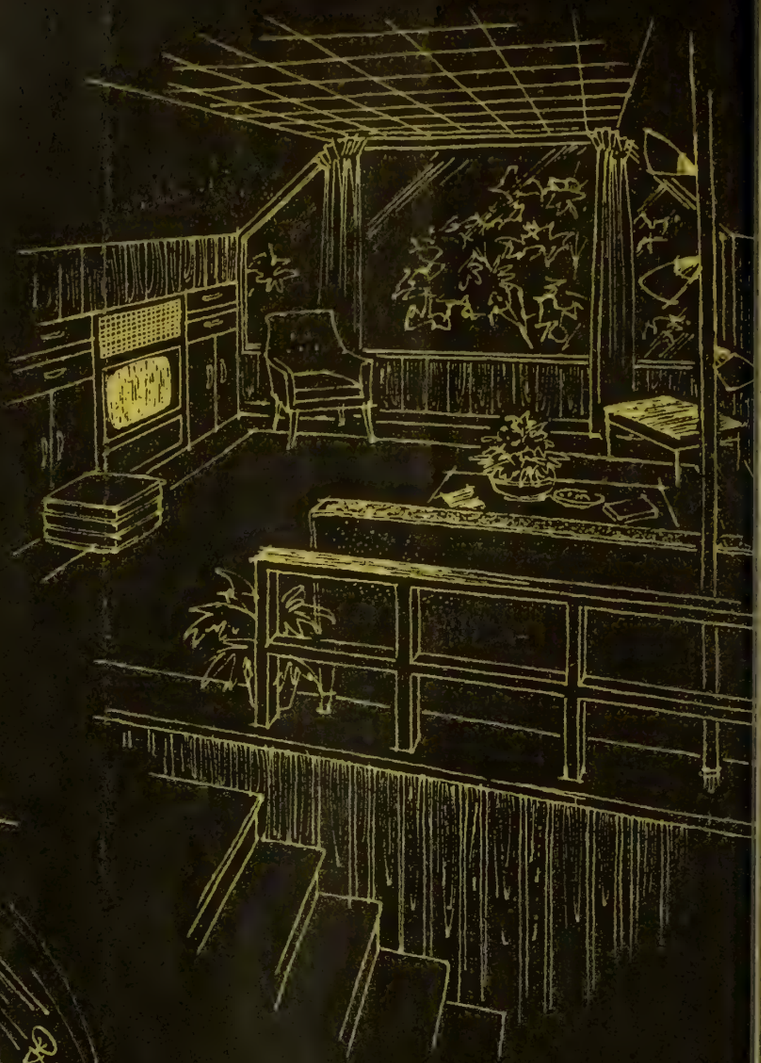


Humidity can be licked in most cases with an electric dehumidifier. Proper ventilation helps, too—consider adding a window fan. The problem is at its height in warm weather, and moving air will make you more comfortable. If you have a dryer, it's absolutely necessary that it be vented to the outside. Showers also should have small exhaust fans.

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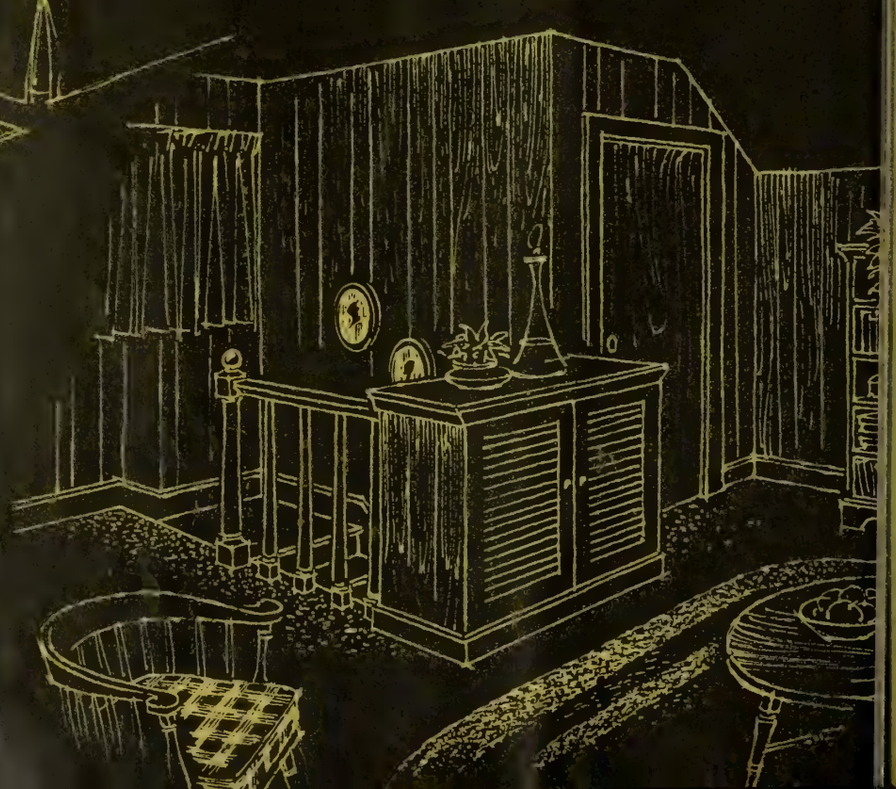
ATTICS

Don't settle for tiny attic windows when you can open up the whole gable end to have a room that's really bright, cheery, and fun to use





Let your imagination soar—use the full height of your attic. Natural-finished plywood does this trick with elegance



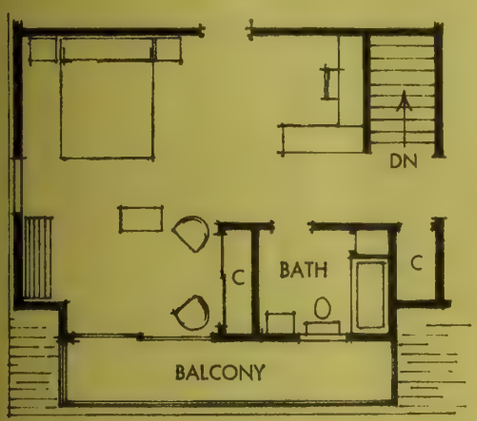
Let existing features help you plan. Storage units can be built in to turn the awkward space of attic stair-wells into a real asset

The extra room or two you need may already be stored away with all those other half-forgotten items—in the attic! A relatively inexpensive remodeling of this space already under your roof can eliminate the necessity of buying or building a larger house.

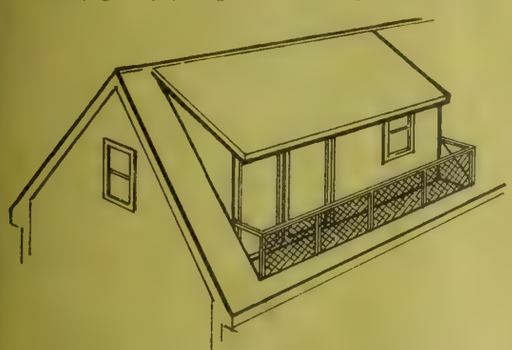
Attic remodelings run the gamut from relatively simple wall finishing to major construction projects such as building shed dormers. (second sketch below) Whatever the scope of your project, careful planning is a must.

The first consideration is head room. Be sure there is room enough to meet the requirements of your local building code as well as the intended use of the room. If there isn't enough head room, you can often get more by building a shed dormer.

A sketch of your project is especially important in an attic remodeling because of the number of permanent features—such as stairways, chimneys, and vent pipes—that you will have to work around. Sketching in furniture (below) will help you visualize the room as it will look when you are through.



Stairways, chimneys, and vent pipes can be a problem if you haven't planned for them. Attics with the stairway at one end are most often finished as a single room (above). Center stairways are a natural for dividing the attic into two rooms if you desire. Chimneys and vent pipes can be boxed in and finished to match the walls. Better yet, plan closets, dividers, and built-in furniture to incorporate the obstruction. For example, a boxed-in chimney could form one end of a closet (above). Some of these obstacles can actually give you a good start in planning.



Adding a dormer is one of the most common, and most difficult, of attic remodeling projects. Unless you're a better-than-average handyman, this is a project requiring professional help, at least with the framing.

There are two types of full, or shed, dormers. One is the flush dormer with its wall directly above the wall of the house. The other type is the set-back dormer which, as its name implies, has its wall set back from the wall of the house. This type is the easiest to build and doesn't disturb gutters. This dormer can be built full width between the third rafters from each end of the roof. The size and shape of this dormer will change the exterior of your house, so build it not only to provide the most usable space, but to enhance the exterior appearance of your home.

Skylights do a good job of lighting your attic and are recommended where you aren't concerned with adding additional space. You can buy skylights that open for ventilation; some include exhaust fans. Others have louvers for light control. All are relatively simple to install. We strongly recommend skylights (right) rather than small gable dormers that seldom provide either enough light or enough air and often damage the appearance of your home.



Knee-wall space in your attic is ready-made for storage. You should first decide whether you need to use this space for bulk storage, or specialized storage. For bulk storage, you need only provide doors for access. Plan to build in drawers and cabinets for specialized storage. Unfinished furniture can be fitted into wall spaces or actually built in to provide ready-made drawers. The knee-wall space is just the right height for children's



closets. Television or stereo equipment fits well here, too.

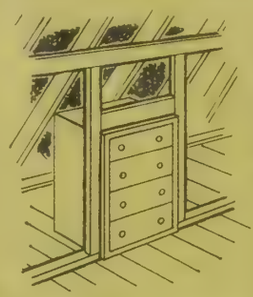
Because ceilings next to the knee wall are low, this is a good place to put beds and other low furniture (above).

Floors should be installed before framing begins. Use 5/8-inch plywood or 1x6-inch tongue-and-groove boards. If batt-type insulation is installed between floor joists, it can be taken up and used overhead. If the insulation is loose fill, install the subfloor over it. Be sure to extend the subfloor into the knee-wall spaces if you intend to use them for storage. A floor of any finish can be installed over the subfloor, after the framing, walls, and ceiling are finished.

Electricity for your addition should include at least one circuit and probably two. These circuits are not expensive to install. If you intend to use electric heat, be sure to plan for the proper wiring. The wiring should be put in after the framing and before the wall surface is installed.

Plumbing for bathrooms is much less expensive to install if you locate the bathroom directly over the one on the first floor, or as nearly so as possible.

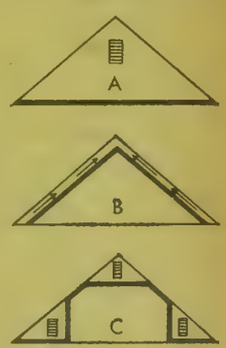
Framing in an attic (below) is a relatively simple matter. Knee-wall studs are nailed to a plate on the attic floor and to the roof rafters. The height of this knee wall should never be less than 4 feet unless there are unusual circumstances. Collar beams are nailed horizontally between the rafters to form the ceiling framing.



Box in around chimneys and flues so that no wood comes in contact with them. Fill the space between chimney and wall with an incombustible insulation (local building code will give minimum space). Frame in closets and partitions before applying wall surfaces. Wall and ceiling coverings can be of any desired type, but dry-wall applications are cheapest to apply. Wallboard on the ceiling and roof slopes, with wood paneling on the knee wall, is a practical solution, because doors can be fitted into the paneling easily and unobtrusively for access to the storage space behind the wall.

Heating your attic is simplified because it usually gets a lot of heat from the lower part of the house. You can supplement this heat by adding heat ducts and cold-air returns to your present hot-air system. These will run up through the walls on the first floor. Your heating plant probably will have the capacity for this extra load, but it will have to be rebalanced to prevent the attic from receiving too large a share of the hot air.

Perhaps a more practical and less expensive solution would be to use gas or electric space heaters. A gas heater requires a gas pipe run through the walls to the gas main and a small vent to the outside for exhaust. Electric heat is the simplest to install. Both gas and electric units can be thermostatically controlled, a considerable advantage over the hot-air system.



Insulation and ventilation are extremely important. For comfort and economy in heating, you will need continuous insulation around your new living space. Use loose fill behind the knee walls and between the collar beams, with a vapor barrier beneath (sketch C above). Use batt-type insulation between the knee-wall studs, on the slope above the knee wall, (sketches B and C above) and on the gable ends of the attic. Be sure you have ventilation near the roof peak and eaves to make the room more comfortable in summer and help eliminate water vapor problems.

GARAGES

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Windows replace a garage door for a change to living space; new carport doubles as a terrace

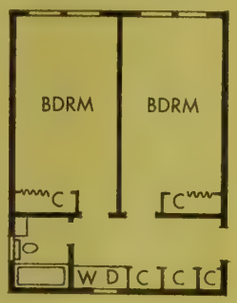


Get an extra warm-season room with folding furniture and a zippered screen for the door



You'll have the living space of a new house when you convert car storage to a family room

Planning a garage remodeling has its own special set of problems. One of the biggest is that there are so many possibilities it's hard to know where to start. When you decide to redo the attic or basement, you start with a whole list of problems because of chimneys, vent pipes, furnaces, water heaters, and a host of other obstructions. When you tackle a garage remodeling, you are likely to be confronted with a large open area into which you can put nearly any sort of room or rooms you wish. Projects can range from building a complete, though small, apartment to fixing up a simple workshop.

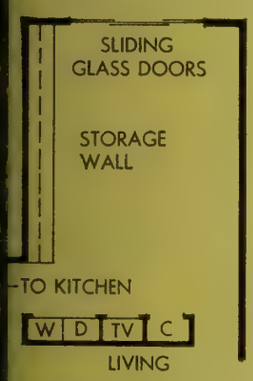


Most people make use of the extra space to meet the needs of a growing family. Therefore, the two most popular garage conversions are to a new bedroom (or two) with a bath —and to a family room.

A convertible garage can give you plenty of inexpensive part-time living and is well worth thinking about. These dual purpose garages are ready for warm-weather use as extra living space, or when winter comes, roll up the fiber rug, fold away the furniture, and turn it back into a place for the family car.

You can buy screen to cover the big door opening. One kind, for two-car garages, has big screens that slide over each other, much like glass doors. For single-car garages, there is a screen that fastens to the bottom of an overhead door and another kind that zips into a framework around the door opening.

Add a sliding glass door in the side or back for a view, ventilation, and access to the garden or patio. Plan built-ins for as many storage needs as you can and let the cabinet doors double as paneling to save material.

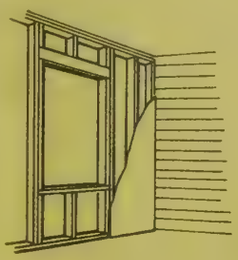


Clean the floor with a trisodium phosphate solution and paint it with a good grade of concrete paint. (One convertible garage we saw had a simulated brick floor—the brick pattern was painted on the garage's concrete floor.)

What to do with the door opening is one of the most obvious problems in converting a garage to full-time living space. Because most of the framing is done for you, it's a logical place for sliding glass doors. If, because of an unpleasant view, plans for a new carport ahead of the garage, or for any other reason, you don't want the front left open, it's easy to seal it up. Install a sill across the opening to match the existing sill and erect studs to match those above the opening. Once again, because of the framing, this is an easy wall into which to build windows—or even a fireplace!

Garage walls are a simple matter if yours is a typical frame garage. The 2x4 studs are ready and waiting for wiring, insulation, and the finished walls. In many cities, the wall next to the house is required by code to be finished with plaster or dry wall in attached garages; if yours is like this, you have a head start. (See the following section for more details on wall-finishing techniques.)

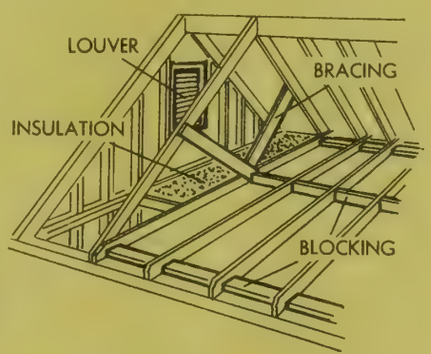
Ceilings, like walls are usually ready to receive a finish material Your garage probably has adequate ceiling joists. These should match your wall studs —16 inches on center. If you choose acoustical tile, you'll need to add properly spaced furring strips. For sheet materials, nail directly to the joists.



If you use heavy material in a former double garage, you may have to add tie beams and bracing as shown in the sketch. (Blocking helps keep the joists straight.)

You'll want to insulate this area, so leave a trap door for access to the "attic." Conceal it in a closet if possible. And don't forget to plan for adequate ventilation near the roof peak to make the new room more comfortable in summer and help eliminate water vapor problems.

Idea—if your garage roof slope is pleasing, consider a vaulted ceiling. You can have an exposed-beam effect by fitting insulated ceiling decking between the 2x6 rafters, held in place by quarter-round molding. Or use wallboard for a smooth surface. The result will be a room of character and distinction.



Differences in floor level between the garage and the rest of the home are the rule in most houses. When you remodel the garage, you can either bring the floor up to the level of the rest of the house or use steps.

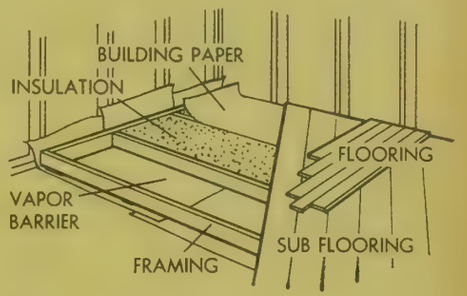
How you plan the steps in your new room is important for two reasons: appearance and safety. Bare steps jutting into a room look bad and can cause serious furniture arrangement problems as well as accidents.

If the entry to the new garage room is in a corner, plan a stub wall or divider alongside the steps. In most cases, either one is more attractive than a railing.

One of the most frequent mistakes in building steps is failure to consider the relationship between the height of the riser and the "run." (The run is the depth of the tread not counting the curved front edge.) The sum of the run and the riser should be 17½ inches, with the riser being not less than 6 inches nor more than 7¾ inches high.

Floors for your new room will depend in part on whether you are trying to make up a difference in levels. In any case, if there is a floor drain, take special care in sealing it off to keep out unpleasant sewer odors. The best procedure is to seal it with cement.

Lay down a vapor barrier and put in floor joists on 16-inch centers. Joists should be

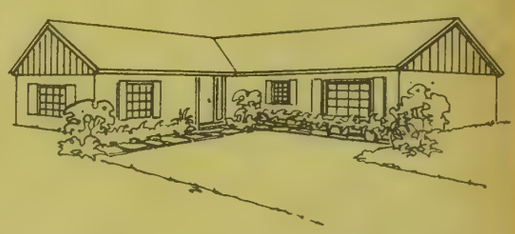


shimmed to make sure your finished floor will be level. Use 2x2s, 2x4s, or 2x6s, on edge, depending on how much you want to raise the level of the floor.

Subflooring can be 1-inch lumber or ½-inch plywood, depending on your needs and your finished flooring. Tiling of any kind requires a plywood subfloor.

If you are going to make up a big difference in floor level, begin by fastening 2x10 footing blocks to the concrete floor. (Blocks should be redwood or treated with creosote.) Cut risers to the height needed to raise your floor and toenail them to the footing blocks. Join risers across the top with 4x6 girders to carry the floor joists. You need a block and a riser under each end and in the middle of each girder. Level girders with shims. If you use 2x10 joists, span no more than 8 feet. Use five in a 20-foot garage. Install subflooring and finish flooring.

In all cases, put plumbing in *before* you start the subflooring. It's best to have a plumber do this job.



Designing the exterior of your new room is easy—match the rest of the house. This includes windows, siding, brick, and paint. The idea is to make your remodeling a real part of the house—not like a patch tacked on as an afterthought. A planter at the end of the driveway will help blend the old and the new.

Include a new car shelter in your plans. The simplest is a post-and-beam carport. Use 4x4 uprights and 4x10 beams every four feet to support a simple tar-and-gravel built-up roof. Add a storage unit at one end.

PLANNING SERIES No. 5

WALLS

Open up a room without the expense of rerouting plumbing lines or flues, by leaving a "column" divider from floor to ceiling





Framed translucent panels visually divide floor space without the feeling of a barrier

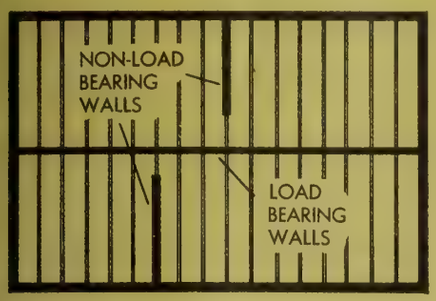


Storage wall dividers serve a double purpose where floor space is at a premium



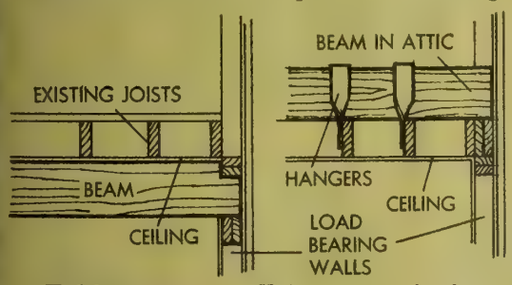
A sliding glass door puts you in immediate reach and sight of the outdoors.

If removing a wall is part of your remodeling project, you'll first have to determine whether the wall is load-bearing or nonload-bearing. A load-bearing wall is simply a wall which helps support some part of the house structure above it. Nonload-bearing walls just partition off space and can be removed without affecting the house structure. You can tell if a wall is load-bearing or not by going up to your attic and noting which way the ceiling joists run in relation to the wall. If the joists run parallel to the wall, and if there are no struts or braces from the roof bearing on top of the wall, the wall is nonload-bearing. Walls

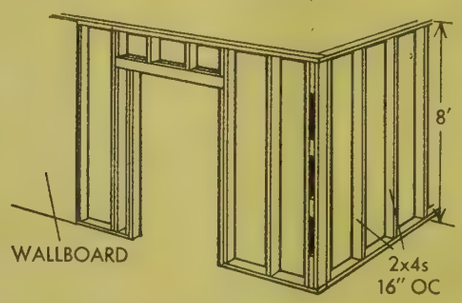


that run at right angles to the joists are load-bearing. If the ceiling joists aren't visible, you usually can count on the fact that walls which run parallel to the longest dimension of the house are load-bearing.

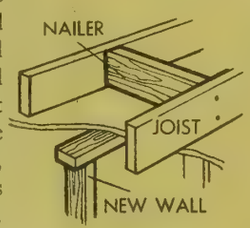
When a load-bearing wall is removed, it must be replaced with a beam that will support the load of the structure above. This beam spans the length of the wall section removed and rests on the adjoining walls of the house, which then bear the load. The easiest way to do this is to lay the beam across the ceiling joists up in the attic. The ends rest on the plates at the top of the walls that run at right angles to the wall being removed. The joists are then fastened to the beam with metal hangers before the wall comes out. If you have a finished attic and can't run the beam across the top of the ceiling joists, it can go under the joists, projecting down into the room. The ends of the beam are again supported by the adjoining walls. Additional studding must be installed between the studs in the supporting walls for the beam to rest on. This means that the plaster or dry wall has to be removed from a section of these walls to put in the blocking.



Taking out a wall is a messy business, especially if the wall is covered with plaster. However, it's not a difficult job, and you might want to save money by doing it yourself —even if your remodeling is being done by a contractor. Be sure to protect the floor with a tarpaulin before you start. Examine the wall to determine whether any electrical or plumbing lines run through it. A trip to the attic and the basement will give you this information. Arrange ahead of time for professional help to reroute these lines when they are exposed. Begin taking out the wall by removing the base shoe, baseboard, and ceiling molding. Next, remove the wall covering (plaster or dry wall) being careful to damage the ceiling and side walls as little as possible. When the studding is exposed, you can make removal easy by cutting each stud at a slight angle near the bottom. Remove the sill plate from the floor and the top plate from the ceiling. The subflooring will be exposed where the wall originally stood, so you will have to cover it to match the existing floor. In the case of planked floors, take up a section of flooring and relay it, staggering the lengths to make the new area unnoticeable. Patch adjoining walls and ceiling with dry-wall material or plaster.



Putting in a wall is often considerably easier than taking out one. Actually, it's mostly a matter of careful workmanship coupled with a minimum knowledge of carpentry. Begin by laying out the position of the new wall on both the floor and ceiling. You then build a studding section to fit the space. Unless the wall is over 12 feet long, assemble the sections flat on a level floor. The studding sections

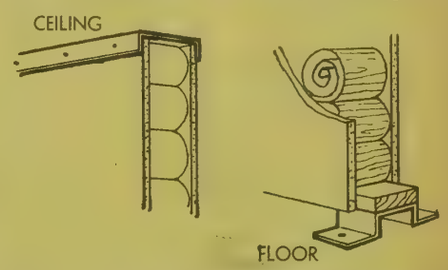


are merely a series of 2x4 studs with 2x4 plates nailed along the top and bottom. Space studs 16 inches on center, or vary them as necessary to fit the covering material used. Double frame around doors and install 2x4 headers over the openings. Raise the wall and position it carefully, checking to make sure it's plumb. Use small wooden wedges between the top plate and the ceiling to secure the sections temporarily while you nail them in place. If your new wall runs at right angles to the ceiling joists, just nail through the top plate, wedges, and ceiling covering into the joists. If the wall is parallel to the ceiling joists, and between them, cut some short lengths of 2x4 and install them between the joists from the attic side. Fasten the top plate of the wall sections to these nailers. Nail through the bottom plate and flooring into the floor joists. Frame in corners to provide a nailing surface on both the outside and inside for the wall covering. Cut out the floor plate for door openings after the wall is in place.

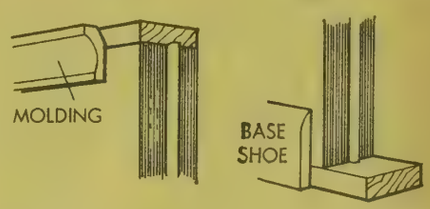
Wallboard is easy and inexpensive to use for covering the rough framing of your new wall. You can cut it to size with a knife, and minor errors in application are easily covered with spackling compound before painting. You simply nail the wallboard in place over the studding, dimpling each nailhead below the surface with the last blow of your hammer. Fill all joints and blemishes with spackle. Press joint paper into flat joints and inside corners with a broadknife. Finish outside corners with metal corner strips; smooth with spackle.

Paneling comes in a wide variety of materials, prices, and textures. It all has low maintenance characteristics, however, which make it a good covering for walls in high-traffic areas, such as family rooms, living rooms, and kitchens. In general, paneling is simply nailed over the studding with small finishing nails, or glued in place to avoid showing nailheads. Some types use installation clips to accomplish the same purpose.

New products are being developed to



make the installation of partition walls easier for the homeowner and less time-consuming for professionals. One new type of wall material is formed from two sheets of gypsum wallboard with spirals of wood sandwiched between them. These wood spirals give the wall great strength while contributing little to its weight. Wiring and plumping lines can be pushed right through the spirals. The panels rest on floor fittings as shown and are nailed to a ceiling track. Short lengths of 2x4 driven into the edges of the panels make the joints. Joints and corners are finished with spackling compound and joint paper—just like any other wallboard.



Another new prefabricated wall section comes completely finished and ready to install. The surface is hardboard, finished in several choices of simulated wood grain patterns. The wall sections rest on wooden battens nailed to the floor to establish the position of the new wall. They are held in place with moldings nailed to the ceiling and floor. The panels have tongue-and-groove edges for easy and rigid joining. A special advantage of this system is that you can also buy matching panels to finish the other walls of the room you are remodeling. Just nail 1x2 furring strips to the other walls, then install the panels over them with a staple gun. A whole room can be finished in a day.

A room is what you make it

By Don Popplestone and Jean Holmstrand



BEFORE

A change of furniture made this room more livable. Mrs. Geoffrey Tucker told us, "With three school-age children, we needed a study area, so we turned our little-used guest room into a study-family room where we can work or relax."

Before the refurnishing, it was a typical bedroom. Now the sofa bed sleeps guests in this multipurpose room. The sofa, armchair, and end table were new purchases. The coffee table was just given a coat of paint. The family is proud of their big balloon print. It's a photo blow-up to which they added the color themselves. Little Christmas lights were installed in the frame for a dramatic effect. The lamps were made from favorite antique tea canisters.

AFTER

Photographs: Bill Hopkins



One of the nicest things about the Tuckers' new family room is that the whole project cost just a little over $500.

Here's how they did it:

Window treatment	
Fabric for drapery and shade	$ 22.50
Stock shutters and paint	26.50
Painted hardboard	.75
Carpet and pad	127.50
Sofa bed	149.00
Desk	79.00
	$405.25

The extras added for style and comfort:

End table	$ 70.00
Armchair	42.00
Louvered doors	11.00
Molding and paint for cabinet	7.50
	$130.50



BEFORE



AFTER

Randy enjoys the family library that has been added. The book cabinet, built by Mr. Tucker, was made from molding and lumber acquired from a wrecking company (a good source for interesting old items). The Tuckers used more little lights inserted in the molding to light the inside of the cabinet.

Cathy appreciates having a quiet place to study. The desk is new, but the chair was simply painted and the seat re-covered.

There was a problem with an air conditioner in the window. Now the shutters cover it but do not interfere with the ventilation. The register below the window was covered with hardboard set away from the wall so heat can circulate around it. New gold draperies and carpet more than pay for themselves in good looks and comfort.

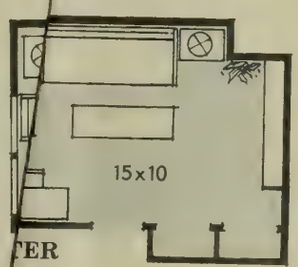




BEFORE

This was the furniture arrangement when the room was strictly a guest room. It provided comfortable sleeping, but nothing more.

Twin beds occupied most of the space in the small room.



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sofa bed replaced the twin allowing more floor space ake the room seem larger. here was plenty of room for the tion of a desk, bookshelf net, and an armchair.



Photographs: de Gennaro. Decorator: Charles Beatcher. Data: Pauline Graves



Want to renew an old house?

By Florence Byerly

This home looked outdated with features like arched windows, a built-in buffet and small, cramped rooms. Here's how Mrs. Fred Beatcher of Los Angeles gave her house an imaginative face-lifting with minor remodeling and smart, fresh colors.

In the dining room, a wall of hinged louvered panels covers an old built-in buffet and the doorway to the hall. A wall mural makes the room look larger. Lightly scaled outdoor furniture was adapted to this small room. The glass table top was replaced with sturdy, heat-resistant laminated plastic.

This inviting guest room-den (lower left) was once a tiny bedroom. The exterior wall was replaced with sliding glass doors to add spaciousness. Mrs. Beatcher made the draperies of 79-cent-a-yard dress fabric. The same fabric, quilted for strength, covers the lounge chair. A sofa-bed sleeps guests.

The living room (opposite page) was updated with new window and door treatments. Plywood was nailed over the old door paneling and on the wall above the door. The woodwork continues to the ceiling. At the windows, light curtains were hung over dark, shadow-proof draperies. The upholstery fabric of the sofa set the color scheme for the entire house.

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▶ *For contest details and entry form, see page 35*



Fixed over for family fun

By Eleanor Pettet Hutcheson

A cheery gathering spot. Better yet, it's an everyday dining area, playroom for three lively children, and sunny kitchen all in one.

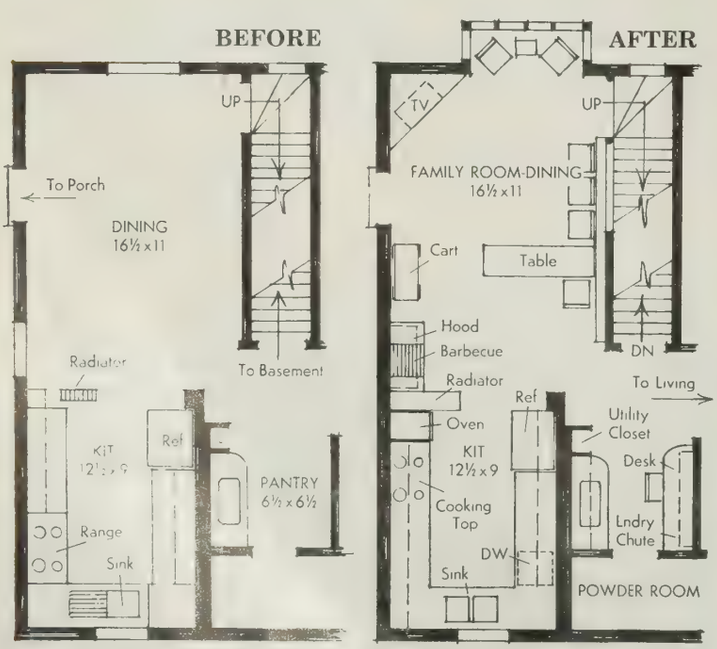
For Mr. and Mrs. James Nerad, it was a matter of refurbishing an ancient kitchen. Bright new faces for 75-year-old walls and windows lightened the structurally sound, but dismal beginnings. Over all, happy colors spread a warm glow.

Look to every corner for clever ways to make your own kitchen spell welcome. From the bricky floor right up to the awning-striped ceiling, there's much here to tease your imagination.



Photographs: Bill Hedrich, Hedrich-Blessing, Kranzten Studio Inc. Designer: Adelaide Radcliff







Stairway television gallery back of eating area is a surprise bonus invented by the children. Door, pie-shaped piece of wall came out to bring hidden window into room. Drop-leaf table serves two or a crowd. Children's chairs are marked with felt panels.



Gay canopy-topped kitchen sports a shutter-widened window. Above cabinets, on midroom supporting beam, scallop-trimmed wallpaper stripes disguise bilevel ceiling.

Barbecue grill was bricked into an abandoned window slot. Small radiator became a handy bench.



Snug library corner tucks in a triangle of shelves for everything from books and television to a toy closet. Shutters screen all.

Exchanging a small window for a bay brings in a flood of afternoon sunshine. Favorite relaxing niche to read, knit, or play.



OLD favorites are NEW!

By Hamilton Mason

WHETHER you want only a spot of color or a big splash in your garden, you can achieve the desired effect easily with today's annuals and bulbs. When planning, remember masses of one color are always much more pleasing to the eye than single plants of one shade placed helter-skelter in a border. The new 1962 annuals and gladiolus presented on these pages will give you the gayest, brightest garden ever.





Regal gladiolus can't be beat

Three varieties, and you run the gamut of space and color with these All-America gladiolus. Thunderbird is the fiery, persimmon-colored variety in the back row. Rose-pink of Ben-Hur (front right) blends well with the orchid of Horizon.

Plant corms 6-8 inches deep beginning in April-May and stagger plantings every two weeks.

Zinnias are better than ever

Zinnias have always rated high in popularity, and it's not hard to understand when you look at these All-America winners. Blooms of Red Man are enormous, but stems are sturdy, hold heads well erect.

The bicolor is Old Mexico, a charmer that flowers prolifically all summer long. And it's remarkably resistant to that plague of zinnias—mildew.

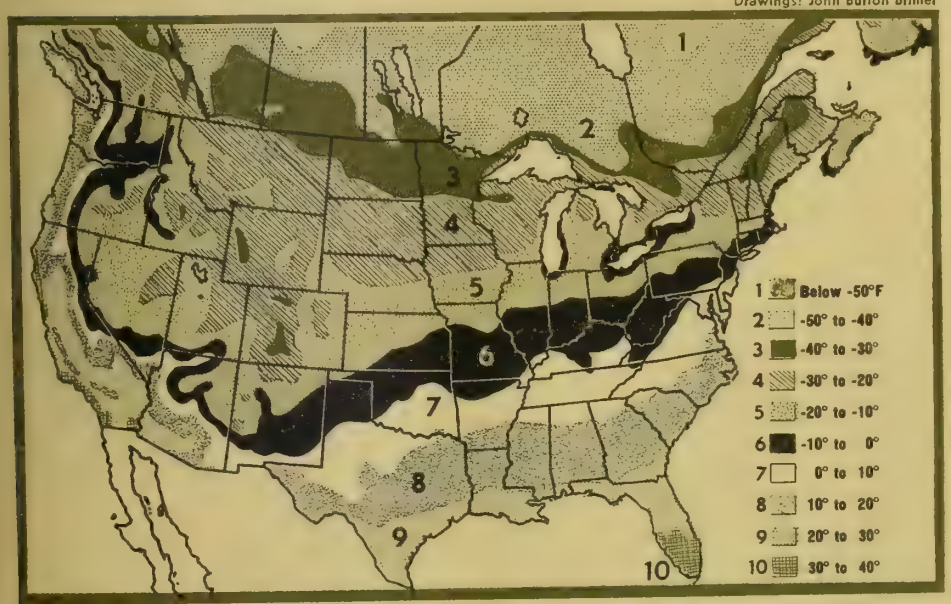
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A guide to LANDSCAPE PLANNING

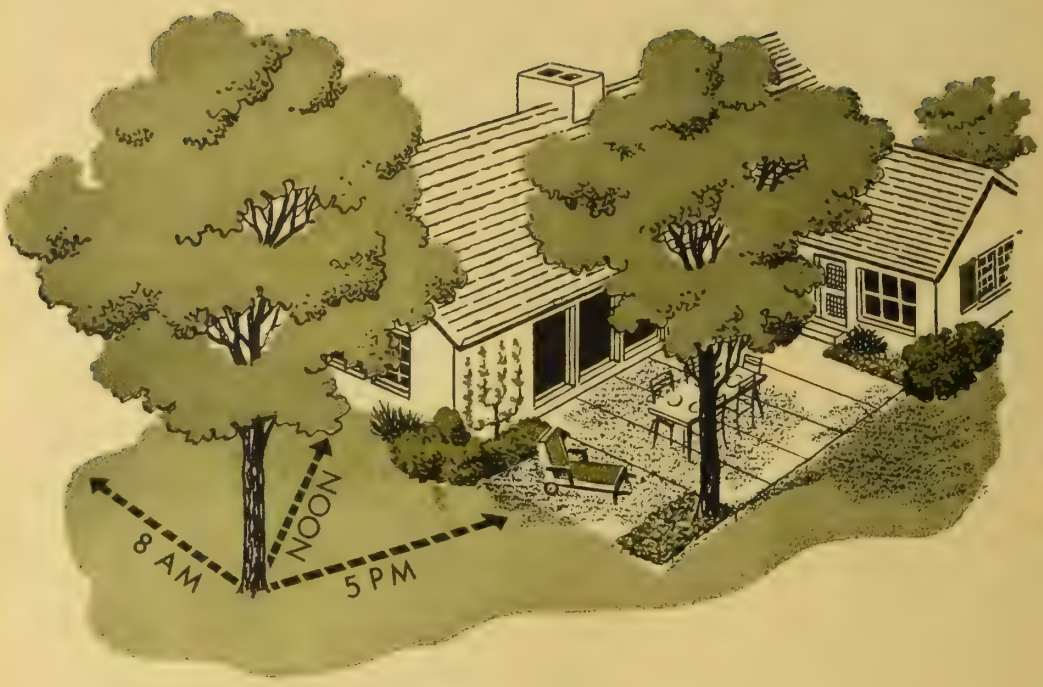
Many new garden catalogues are yours for the asking—and to help you make better use of them, we've compiled these 8 pages of ideas. With this guide in one hand and the catalogues in the other, you're on your way to the best garden ever.

Drawings: John Burton Brimer



From data compiled by the United States Department of Agriculture, 1960.

This revised map shows temperature zones by which you can gauge plant hardiness. Careful attention to climate and growing conditions where you live will pay off with a successful garden. Choose plants native to your region or known to be hardy. Numeral after a plant name indicates its northernmost zone of hardiness.



TREES

are the most permanent part of the home landscape, so choose them with care. Trees add to the money value of a home, and their foliage provides shade and shelter. Proper placement emphasizes good points or screens unsightly ones.

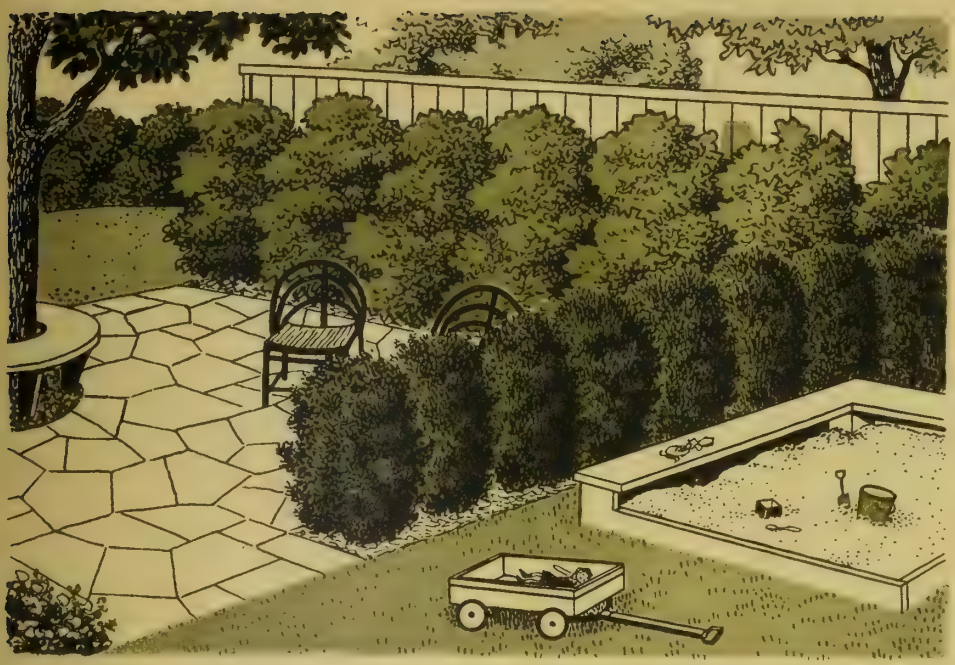
Today's low-scaled house demands trees that, at maturity, will be medium-size. If you have a two-story house, taller kinds are more in proportion.

Flowering trees are generally in the small- or medium-size category and add much to the garden. Most put on their display in spring, but others flower through the summer, adding season-long color to the landscape. Consider, too, the colored-foliage trees—purple, red, silver, or pale yellow-green. Many trees take on spectacular hues in autumn, ending the season with a brilliant display.

You should also consider the various shapes of trees—vase, pyramidal, ball or oval, columnar, and spreading. Each shape serves a different purpose in the landscape. Pyramidal and columnar types are for accent; vase, oval, and spreading kinds for shade or background planting.

Here are some trees to consider:

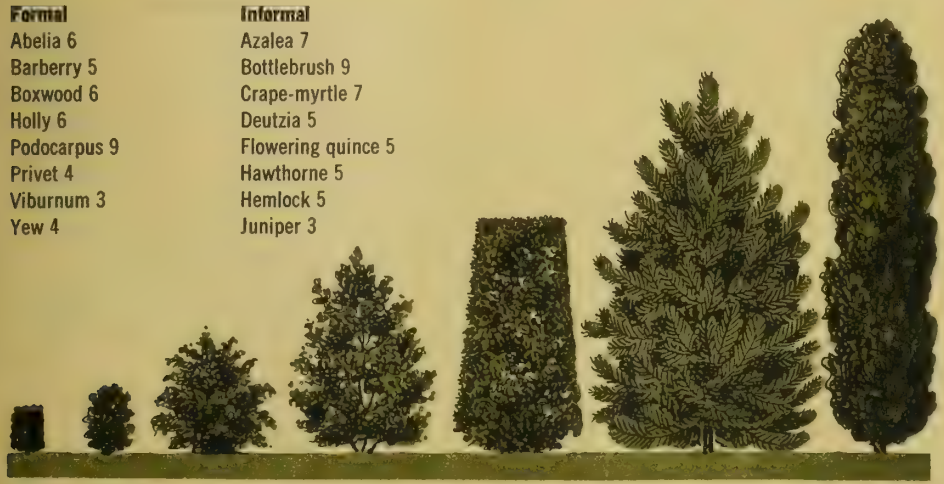
For shade		For flowers	
Oak	Medium, oval, 4	Flowering crabapple	Small, ball, 3
Elm	Large, vase, 2	Flowering cherry	Medium, ball, 4
Maple	Medium, ball, 4	Dogwood	Small, oval, 2
Hybrid honey locust	Medium, spreading, 5	Mimosa	Medium, spreading, 7



HEDGES provide needed privacy in a way more friendly than other forms of screening. They are also excellent for division of space between service, play, and outdoor living areas. Hedges can be formal (clipped) or informal (natural). Flowering shrubs will have fewer flowers when clipped.

Dwarf (1-2 feet)	**Low (2-3 feet)**	**Medium (4-5 feet)**	**Tall (6 feet or over)**
Arctic willow 1	Autumn sage 7	Deutzia 5	Bamboo 6
Barberry (dwarf) 5	Daphne 5	Gardenia 8	Caragana 2
Boxwood 6	Flowering quince 5	Kerria 5	Cherry-laurel 7
Malpighia 9	Juniper 3	Orange jasmine 9	Forsythia 5
Santolina 8	Lavender 5	Skimmia 8	Fringe-tree 5
Wintercreeper 5	Spirea Anthony Waterer 4	Weigela 5	Winged euonymus 4

Formal	**Informal**
Abelia 6	Azalea 7
Barberry 5	Bottlebrush 9
Boxwood 6	Crape-myrtle 7
Holly 6	Deutzia 5
Podocarpus 9	Flowering quince 5
Privet 4	Hawthorne 5
Viburnum 3	Hemlock 5
Yew 4	Juniper 3





SHRUBS

in today's garden can be used for more than just a hedge; they're excellent background plants for perennial, annual, and bulb borders. And for foundation plantings, shrubs are unexcelled.

From the wide choice available, artistic and dramatic settings can be built. Shrubs are planted for flowers, foliage, and unusual habit. Some are deciduous and others evergreen. When selecting shrubbery, consider the ultimate height and spread of each kind. This way, you can have just the right plant for a particular spot. For example, beneath a picture window you want shrubs that grow low and stay that way, such as dwarf honeysuckle, low-growing azaleas, or evergreens.

Here is a list of dependable shrubs:

For flowers

Azalea—Many colors ranging from white to rose and lavender. Select both early- and late-flowering kinds for a longer season of bloom. 7

Honeysuckle—Will grow in a variety of soils. Colors range from white to deep red. Valuable in the garden for the birds they attract. 3

Mockorange—Prized for their white and often fragrant flowers. Several double-flowered kinds are available. Fast growing when established. 4

Lilac—Many varieties to choose from, with flowers varying from creamy white to the reds and purples. Very fragrant. Useful in border plantings, hedges, or as specimens. 3

For foliage

Juniper—Wide selection for all purposes, such as hedges, specimens, and foundation and grouped border plantings. Green the year around. 3

Photinia—Evergreen with reddish new growth; adapts well to shade areas. White flowers appear in May, followed later by red berries. Grown as a specimen, in border, or hedge. 5

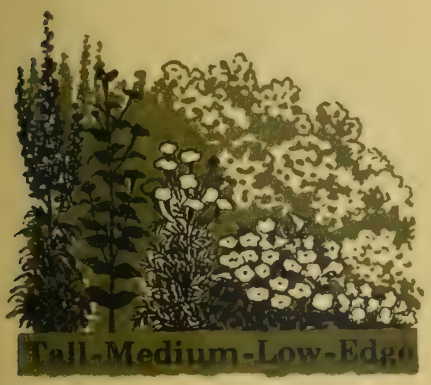
Holly—Both evergreen and deciduous available; evergreen kinds are the most valuable. To insure fruiting, be sure to plant both sexes. Takes clipping. 3

Dogwood—Several varieties have bright red winter twigs. Berries attract birds. Excellent for shrub border, especially when leaves color up in fall. 1

COLOR will provide character and give vitality to your garden. Choose annuals for quick results, but include perennials for permanence. For easier gardening and a maximum of color, combine the two. In this way, you will also have a longer season of bloom and cutting material.

Perennials are a joy because you don't have to plant them every year. But because they stay in one spot so long, you must prepare the soil before planting by mixing in large quantities of humus (compost). Division of perennials depends on how quickly they multiply—Michaelmas daisies every year or two; peonies every five to ten years.

Poor flowering may be the result of crowded conditions and indicate need for division of the plant. It is possible to achieve an all-perennial, continuous-flowering garden, but it is easier to combine them with annuals for bloom from early spring to late fall.



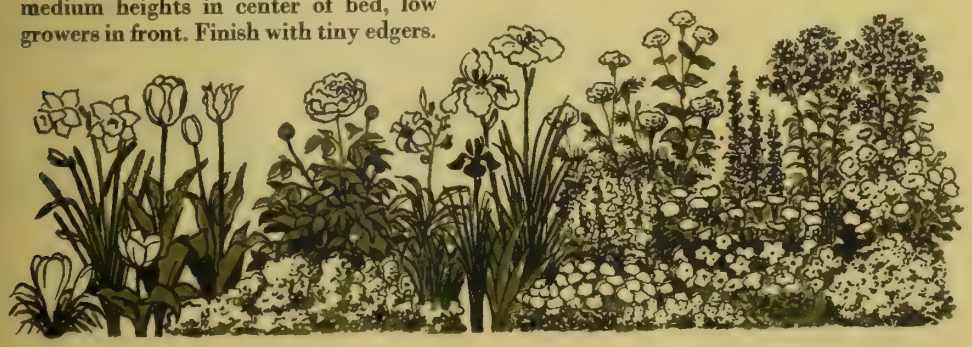
Proper placement of flowers will bring out their best. Use tallest ones in rear, medium heights in center of bed, low growers in front. Finish with tiny edgers.

Annuals grow in all zones and provide quantities of bright color quickly and inexpensively. For best effect, plant drifts of one color or variety. Mixing colors creates a restless effect that seldom draws admiration.

Favorite flowers are now available in so many shades that you can color scheme your garden very easily. If you like yellow, use calendula, cockscomb, dahlia, marigold, nasturtium, snapdragon, and zinnia. For blues, try ageratum, blue lace-flower, cornflower, larkspur, and morning-glory. Or, combine masses of warm colors, such as red petunias and yellow nasturtiums. If you prefer a cooler effect, use blue lace-flower bordered with lavender verbena.

Whatever colors you choose, use them in masses if you want the best effect in the garden—plus enough flowers to cut for use indoors.

Rules for color combinations are less rigid than they used to be. So let your own preferences determine what you choose. If you want gaiety, by all means have it. Or, if you like an unruffled atmosphere, there are many different flowers that will provide a single color scheme for you.



Have season-long color by arranging your garden for succession of bloom starting with spring bulbs, followed by early perennials, summer annuals, then late perennials.



Gladiolus



Dahlia



Gloriosa lily

BULBS give outstanding colors and unusual forms in flowers for your summer garden. Different varieties are available, from dwarf dahlias to the tall lilies. Summer bulbs mix well with both annuals and perennials for a good show.

Gladiolus—good for mixed borders or cutting. Plant corms every ten days from late spring to early summer.

Dahlia—grow dwarf types from seed for low mounds of color. Start giant-flowering kinds from tubers for background planting.

Gloriosa lily—tuberous rooted vines with annual stems. Start in pots indoors, transplant outdoors when soil has warmed. Excellent trellis plant, cut flower, or pot plant. Water well.

Canna—adds tropical effect to garden. Use in beds, borders, or for cutting. Start plants indoors in the North.

Caladium—colorful heart-shaped foliage. Beautifully variegated. Does well in beds, window boxes, and planters. Prefers a semishady location.

Tuberous begonia—the most beautiful plant for a hanging basket. Use in a semishady location. Bright-colored, blossoms are displayed against the lush foliage from early summer to frost.



Canna



Caladium



Tuberous begonia



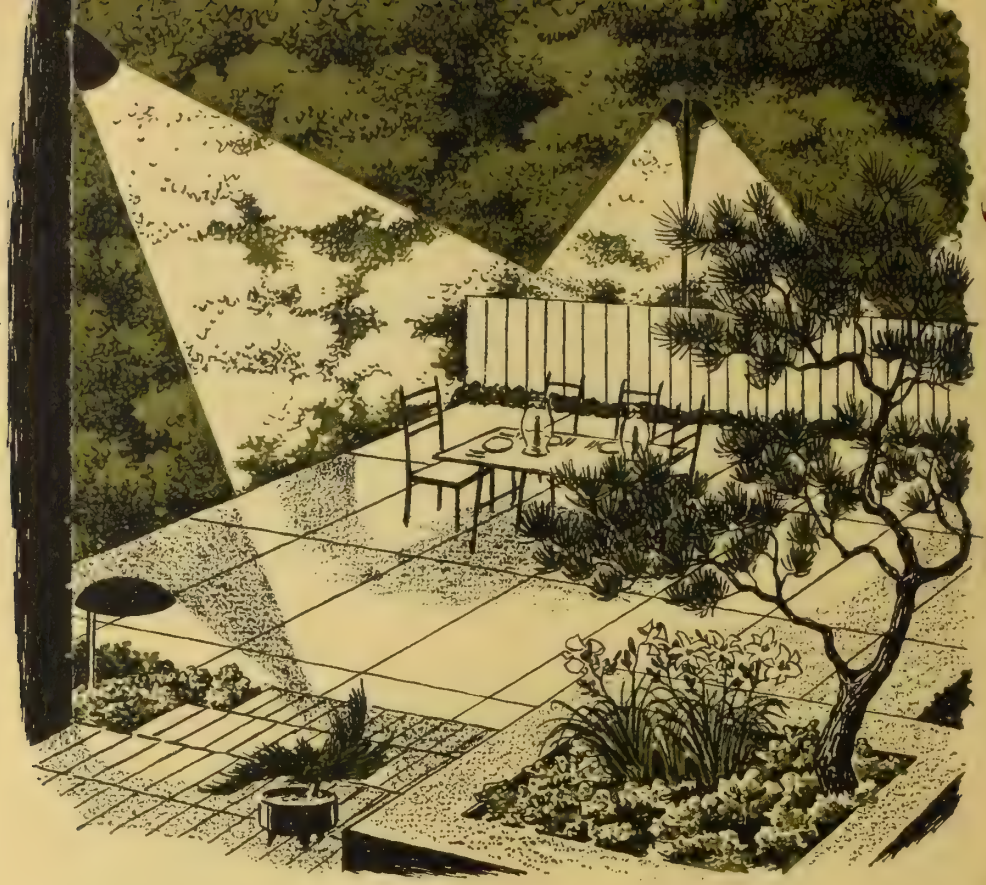
EATING gardens provide vegetables far more flavorful than those from the market. Not only is the flavor finer, but usually so is the size and quality. Market varieties must be more sturdy to withstand shipping, whereas home garden kinds are more tender and juicy. For example: tomatoes can be larger and left to ripen on the vine; lettuce is at its best when served fresh from the garden. A comparatively small garden will stock your freezer as well as supply you during the season.

Vegetables, such as tomatoes, lettuce, carrots, and beets can be grown among your favorite annuals. Vining cucumbers will succeed on trellises. Parsley and chives make excellent edging plants around flower borders.

Don't overlook the possibility of growing fruit and nut trees for shade or as specimens. Bush fruits work well in the shrub border, as do dwarf fruit trees. Small fruits, such as strawberries, can be grown as ground-cover plants.



A convenient way to grow your own kitchen herbs is by planting them in chimney flue tiles filled with soil. The tiles will restrain them neatly. Creeping thyme can be grown as a ground cover among steppingstones.



NIGHT lighting extends your enjoyment of the garden after sunset, which is when you are more likely to have time to enjoy it. Your garden changes magically when the lights are turned on; each plant and garden feature shows up in an entirely new dimension. If you enjoy relaxing on the patio at night, why not build a night garden around it—using light-colored or fragrant flowers.

Lighting the terrace with spotlights and low-placed mushroom lamps will accent the plantings. Use portable spotlights to display the most magnificent of the flowers.

Make selections from the following lists:

Shrubs	**Bulbs**	**Flowers** (A—annual; P—perennial)	
Azalea 7	Caladium	Alyssum (A)	Cleome (A)
Honeysuckle 3	Dahlia	Mignonette (A)	Delphinium (P)
Hydrangea 3	Gladiolus	Moonflower (A)	Marigold (A)
Jasmine 8	Lily	Nicotiana (A)	Peony (P)
Lilac 3	Night-blooming daylily	Petunia (A)	Snapdragon (A)
Rose 2	Tuberose	Stock (A)	Zinnia (A)

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Make giant block prints with plastic foam

Block printing is an old craft, but here's a new twist. Cut the design into a block of plastic foam and use water-base paint as "ink." Make the outlines with deep V cuts, using a sharp knife.

Roll on the paint with an ordinary paint roller. Spread a sheet of heavy paper over the block and rub with your hands, starting at the center and working toward the edges. The texture of the finished print is very heavy, so keep the design simple.

Wood tape scraps make these mosaics

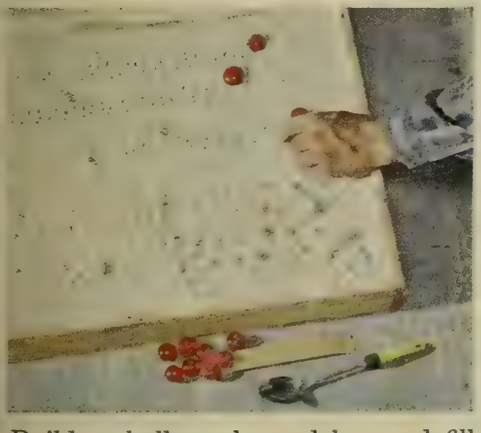
← The warm tones of wood add beauty to the mosaics made by John and Janet Trimmis. Here's how to do it. Draw your design on tempered hardboard; then, using scissors, cut scraps of adhesive-backed wood edging tape to size.

Iron the tape onto the hardboard with an electric iron. You can also use wood veneer bonded with contact cement.

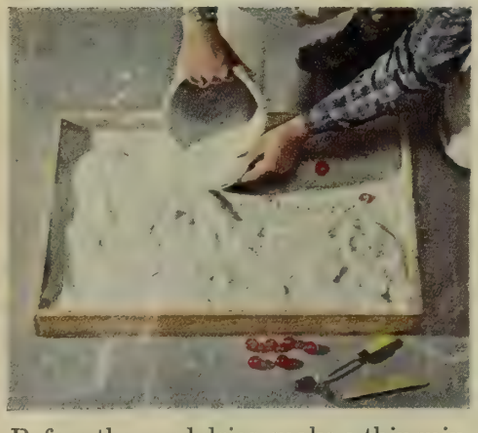


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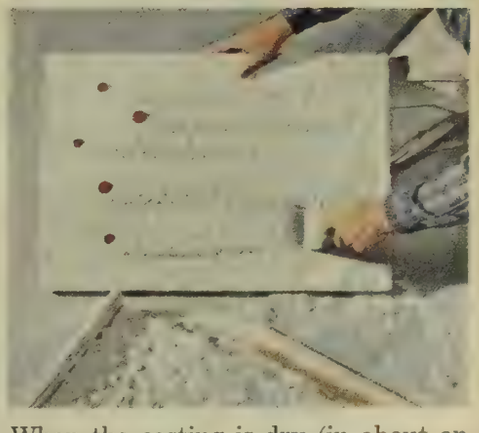
You get spectacular results every time when you do a sand casting



Build a shallow plywood box and fill it about half full of sand. Wet the sand, smooth it. Press or scoop designs in the sand or even embed bits of glass, wood, or other objects in it.



Before the sand dries, make a thin mixture of plaster or sand concrete. Hold a can lid or trowel under the plaster as you pour to keep it from damaging the design. Spread plaster smooth.



When the casting is dry (in about an hour for plaster, a day or more for concrete), knock away the sides of the box, lift the casting, and brush away excess sand with an old brush.

HOBBIES *Continued*





Try a colorful yarn mural

Artist Ted Brubaker worked out the unusual method for making the panels shown here. You begin by making a frame of 1x2-inch pine the size you want the finished panel to be. With nails or staples, fasten a piece of ¼-inch mesh hardware cloth to the back of this frame.

Paint the frame and hardware cloth some neutral color. It's helpful to draw your design on paper, using colored pencils, before you begin on the panel.

You make the design by weaving colorful yarn through the mesh. Work with pieces about 6 feet long, tying on other pieces as needed. With a little care, the knots can be hidden in the design.

Experiment with various "stitches" to get interesting textural effects. These semitransparent panels can be very effectively used to make room dividers.



Look what you can make from wire

Teen-age students at the Des Moines, Iowa, Art Center have created some fascinating pieces of sculpture using ordinary wire. You can, too, using almost any size wire available. Soft iron wire is best and least expensive.

Florists' wire, stovepipe wire, and baling wire are all good. Use heavier wire for the main "frame," then wrap with thin wire. Use plastic aluminum globs here and there for an interesting effect. Paint with a spray can.

Artistry is easy with photograms

Photograms can magically transform everyday objects into striking pictures. Blueprint paper is the easiest material to use. Lay the paper on a small piece of plywood, arrange the objects on it, then cover with a piece of glass to keep them flat and in place during exposure.

Expose to sunlight for about 1 minute or to artificial light for 5-10 minutes. Wash the print in water, then dip it in hydrogen peroxide to stop developing action. Use them for book covers or frame them as pictures.



Skill and scrap decorate a wall

Make wall hangings such as these from those ever-present scraps left from your other sewing projects.

If you don't draw well, cut out figures from wallpaper, magazine or other illustrations, and use them as patterns. Sew all the small details on the larger figures, then sew the figures to the background.





Photographs: Bill Hedrich, Hedrich-Blessing. Architect: John Normile, A.I.A.

Board-on-board siding of bleached redwood and a cedar-shake roof fit well into the rustic setting of this pleasant home. Double doors lead to the main entry and living room beyond. Single door on the left opens to the kitchen through a family entryway. Third door, on the right, gives access to the garage. All doors are conveniently located near the driveway and all are protected from the weather by the roof overhang.

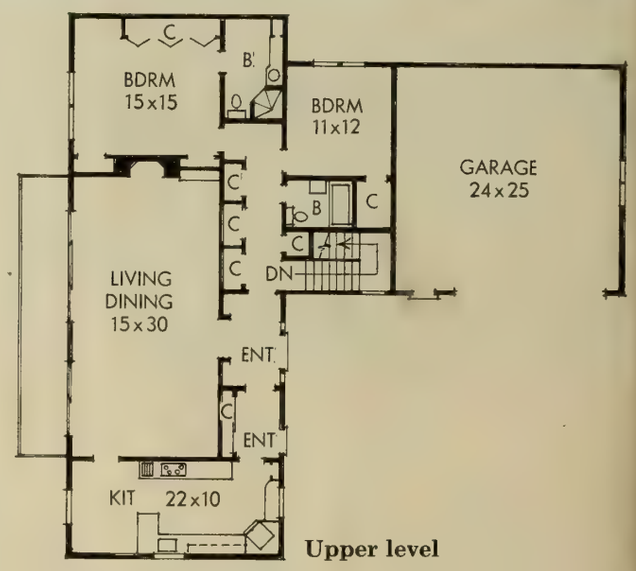
Its big SURPRISE is SPACE

By John Bloodgood

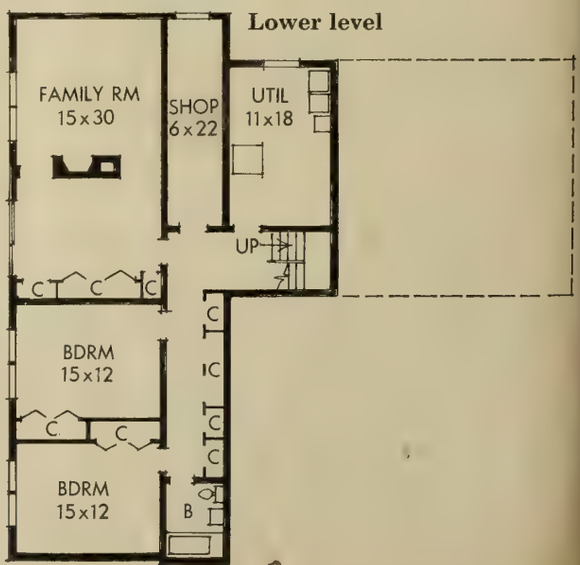
This house has space . . . lots of it. It's an eight-room, four-bedroom two-story with a shop and laundry to boot—lots of easy-access halls and lots of storage, too. Where do they put 3,065 square feet of space? Take a look at the back!

And where do you find a beautifully wooded site like this? Surprisingly, some of the best of these lots are in established neighborhoods—where builders of more standard houses have passed them up for years. The construction problems of building on steeply sloping land are not so tough and not so expensive as you might think. The advantage is space. The trees and shorter commuting distance are additional bonuses.

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Upper level



Lower level



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Building this two-story surprise package into the side of a hill creates more space for less money than is possible on a level site.

Another big advantage of this space arrangement is the separation of living quarters into two distinct areas with the upper level for parents and the lower for children or guests. Ample windows make both levels bright and airy.

Big kitchens don't have to be old fashioned—and here's proof! There's plenty of space for dining, but the work area is right up-to-date and handy as can be. A single hood, with a powerful exhaust fan, vents both the counter-top range and the electric barbecue.



Space and more space! A white "cathedral" ceiling makes the already ample living room seem even bigger. And look at the way the sliding glass doors to the deck open up the whole room! The pine-paneled wall with its lustrous hot-lacquer finish fits right into the parklike setting. Ceiling trusses are exposed for visual interest.



Better Homes & Gardens' new diet for 1962 is rich in protein at a price everyone can afford

All you can lose

A protein-rich diet—the kind so widely touted by many a nutritionist—takes no genius if planned around filet mignon and T-bone steaks. This merely takes money. The neat trick—and what we present here—is a protein-rich diet based on family favorites of *modest* price. So if you are one of America's 34 million "heavies," give us a chance to reduce you at the sane rate of a couple of pounds a week—while fattening your pocketbook. (Plan to shed over 10 pounds? Be sure you have your doctor's okay.)

The sample meals, below, show the kinds of foods you eat—things you like. The first breakfast, lunch, and dinner are planned to go together, and so on through the five days, but mix-match if you prefer. Of course, you may repeat this five-day series, but for variety, you'll no doubt like to substitute foods of similar nutritive value for the ones listed.

BREAKFASTS	Calories
Grapefruit juice □ ham □ egg □ toast □ milk	430
Orange □ high-protein cereal □ ½ muffin □ milk	380
½ Grapefruit □ oatmeal □ egg □ toast □ milk	410
Tomato juice □ Canadian bacon □ toast □ milk	330
Orange juice □ 2 poached eggs □ toast □ milk	390
Average	390

LUNCHEONS	
Vegetable soup □ Bologna sandwich □ milk	460
Ham sandwich □ carrot sticks □ apple □ milk	455
Hamburger □ pickle □ cottage cheese □ milk	410
Consomme □ chicken sandwich □ banana □ milk	425
Tuna salad □ tomato □ 3 saltines □ milk	380
Average	425

DINNERS	
Beef patty □ baby Limas □ tossed salad □ pear	355
Turkey □ squash □ green beans □ milk sherbet	450
Pork chop □ broccoli □ beets □ citrus salad	425
Pot roast □ potato □ carrots □ slaw □ peach	465
Broiled fish □ peas □ green salad □ cupcake	450
Average	430
Watch serving size! Average total per day	1250

These sample meal plans consider cost, calories, protein, minerals, and vitamins. They range from only 1200 to 1300 calories per day, yet offer the generous daily amount of 90 to 100 grams protein. (The average protein allowance recommended when not dieting is 58 grams for women and 70 for men.) The protein foods you eat while slimming help satisfy appetite and protect your health.

Protein is in almost every part of you—and protein is what repairs the wear and tear on your tissues while your body uses up that unbecoming fat for energy. Foods high in protein have a stick-to-the-ribs quality that helps keep reducers firmly on course. Where protein is, most essential vitamins and minerals are near by—another reason calorie-low, but protein-high foods (see far right) form the ideal base for this balanced, thrifty, easy-to-live-with diet. You'll also establish an excellent eating pattern. Yes, your new habits will let you *keep* that weight down!

Meat is king in your diet plan. That's because meat as we eat it today boasts 26 per cent fewer calories, 46 per cent less fat, and 23 per cent more *protein* than years ago. How come? People's tastes have changed—they prefer meat with less fat. Also both men and women worry about overweight. So by popular demand for leaner meat, cattle and hogs are bred for leanness. Your meatman co-operates by trimming excess fat from his retail cuts. Turkeys and chickens are leaner, too.

Good main dishes, high in protein, economical in cost and calories: Ground beef as patties or meat loaf (ground round steak has fewer calories than chuck or "hamburger" meat) □ Pot roast □ Stew and Swiss steak (*if* you skip the gravy) □ Lean pork □ Liver and other variety meats □ Frankfurters □ Luncheon meat □ Turkey □ Chicken □ Dietetic-

. . . is pounds!

pack tuna □ Haddock □ Cod □ Eggs □ Cottage cheese. When you'd like a nice broiled steak or oven roast, remember meat tenderizer for budget cuts. Watch for specials on lean meats. Cook eggs in shell, poach; or scramble or "fry" in nonstick coated skillet.

Meat servings. Eat medium portions—measure a few times if unsure on size. Allow 3½ to 4 ounces roasted or broiled meat, poultry, or fish for dinner (4 ounces cooked meat measures about 3x4x1 inches, weighs about 5 ounces raw); allow half as much for breakfast or sandwich □ Tuna salad—3 ounces tuna, 1 tablespoon mayonnaise, plus pickle, celery, green pepper, and lettuce.

Dairy foods. Reliquefied nonfat dry milk, skim milk, or buttermilk—8-ounce glass (1 standard measuring cup) per serving (1 pint needed daily to meet your calcium quota—you can use part in coffee, tea, cereal) □ Cottage cheese—¼ cup □ Milk sherbet—½ cup.

Fruits, vegetables. Include a citrus fruit each day—a must for vitamin C. Fruit—fresh or ½ cup dietetic pack □ Juices—½ cup □ Salad—½ cup coleslaw or citrus; or 1 cup greens with low-calorie dressing, lemon juice or vinegar and herbs □ Lettuce on sandwiches—lots □ Cooked or canned vegetables—½ cup, seasoned with lemon juice or ½ teaspoon butter or margarine □ Potato—1 small □ Soup—1 cup.

Bread, cereal, desserts. Toast—1 slice enriched or whole wheat, 1 teaspoon butter or margarine □ Sandwiches—2 slices bread or 1 bun, 1 teaspoon butter □ Cereal—½ to ¾ cup □ Cupcake—1 medium un-iced □ Low-calorie fruit gelatin or diet pudding—½ cup (in place of cupcake or sherbet—see meals).

Extras. Black coffee or tea any time (with noncaloric sweetener) □ Snacks: green-pepper or carrot sticks □ Rye wafer □ Beef broth.



10 Parties the kids will never forget





NO, never forget! For they're the stuff that marvelous childhood memories are made of. These first parties—and the ones you'll give through the years—are a continued introduction to the social world of give and take . . . "you frost the cake, and I'll lick the spoon." But remember a party needn't be elaborate. Any time three children get together with paper hats, balloons, and cookies, it's a party! Just a little preparation will give the occasion everlasting allure.

1. Cupcake party, shown here at the home of Lisa and Wendy Loew of Beverly Hills, California, is a delightful way to spend a young kind of birthday. Small, purposeful guests demonstrate their cake-decorating skill with unfrosted cupcakes. Bowls of frosting, nuts, fruits, and sprinkles form a centerpiece when grouped with flowers on a large Lazy Susan. Then children "paint" the cupcakes. Rules permit one cake to be eaten on the spot (and look away, please, when they nip at the frosting!) the rest of the sugary gems are placed in labeled boxes. Paper caps and aprons turn guests into gourmet chefs! [*Continued on page 90*

Photographs: Dale Healy




CUPCAKE
PARTY



Sweet-Sour Pork –
Easy on the yen at $1.32

Photographs: Frank and Dorothy Williams

How to eat HIGH while spending LOW

By Myrna Johnston and Foods Staff

WHILE SPENDING LOW, you can run the gamut of variety, enjoying something as exotic as Sweet-Sour Pork one day, as homey as Best Beef Brisket the next. Key to modest price is the cut.

The Sweet-Sour Pork, at left, is made from nice lean strips of boneless fresh pork. Of course, meat prices vary from time to time, but your best value for pork to be cut up will probably be a piece of blade loin roast from the rib end of the pork loin. However, your market may have a good buy on Boston butt, fresh picnic shoulder or leg, or on the other end of the pork loin. (At a self-service counter, ring the bell and the meatman will be glad to bone and cut the meat in even strips for you.)

Here we picture the Sweet-Sour Pork with fluffy rice, watermelon pickles, and cups of hot green tea. Carrot slaw makes a good salad. And to keep the glamour of an Oriental theme, have Mandarin oranges (canned) and fortune cookies for dessert.

Best Beef Brisket (below) is downright delicious! And the recipe is simple; the meat, potatoes, and onions bake lazily together till temptingly brown and fork tender. If you don't think of brisket as an economical cut, take another look. In most mar-

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Best Beef Brisket –
Nine big servings for just $1.63



kets, all the bones and practically all the fat have been removed. You eat every ounce! Because the recipe for Best Beef Brisket has the vegetable course built in, just add a creamy old-fashioned cabbage salad and a dessert of cherry-sauced cottage pudding (it shares the oven with the meat).

Tamale Pie boasts a corn-meal crust atop a saucy mixture of ground beef, whole kernel corn, and ripe olives. To go along: hot corn chips, a spinach onion-ring salad, pickled peppers, caramel pudding.

Now about that ground beef. It's the all-American favorite, the most popular meat in the market today. Think the most expensive and leanest ground beef is top value? Not true! The lowest priced is usually your best bet. The price goes down as the fat content goes up: Regular ground beef is 20 to 30 per-cent fat; ground chuck has 10 to 20 per cent; ground round contains less than 10 per cent (dieters take note!). Here's the happy (and economical) surprise: Ground beef with up to 25 per-cent fat makes the juiciest and tenderest hamburgers—and the tastiest tamale pies.

Unless you're a brand-new cook, you'll remember when all Porterhouse steaks had "tails." Often now



Tamale Pie–
The pesos add up to only $1.31

these steak ends are trimmed off and ground (or sold as boneless stew) with other cuts that are disappearing from the market, as heel of round pot roast, neck pot roast, plate boiling beef, and shank meat from soup bones. That partly explains why today, 15 per cent of a side of beef is ground, as compared to less than five per cent 15 years ago. Another big reason for the increased popularity of ground beef is its fine quality. Progressive dealers grind the beef just ahead of the shopping rush so it is *fresh*. If you still insist on seeing the meat ground, consider blade chuck pot roast or boneless beef stew meat instead of round steak and you'll likely save from 5 to 25 cents on every pound.

Braised Short Ribs (below) go over big with the men every time—ask any restaurant manager and he'll agree. Beef short ribs can be cut from the chuck, rib, or short plate. The main thing is to select the short ribs that look as if they contain the least fat—less waste and fewer calories, that way.

Our recipe for Braised Short Ribs gives you a wonderful bonus of onion gravy that has a hint of sauerbraten flavor, to spoon over the meat *and* over mashed potatoes. Serve with buttered broccoli or

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Braised Short Ribs—
Prime feed for $1.26





Hungarian Goulash –
$1.74 for the potful

corn and a tossed green salad. And bake some plump rosy apples to top off this dandy meal.

Hungarian Goulash (above) will be tasty, we assure you, made with beef chuck that's been boned and cut in cubes. But don't pooh-pooh the thrifty alternate of boneless beef stew meat (sold in cubes) —it's usually made from cuts that were formerly marketed as heel of round, neck pot roasts, etcetera.

Ladle your rich, tomato-y goulash over hot noodles (we like to dress ours with a tablespoon or so of poppy seed mixed through the tender strands). Serve with crusty rye and lemon-spiked green beans. Celery sticks and green onions double as salad. For a luscious bargain in dessert, don't forget fluffy tapioca pudding or a fruited gelatin whip.

A word about other ways to cook good buys in beef. Sometimes you plain hanker for a broiled steak or a "Sunday kind" of roast. When your wallet says "no" to T-bones, rib roasts, and their price clan, consider the merits of less-tender cuts, say round steak or chuck roast, treated with instant meat tenderizer, then broiled or roasted. Or tender



Ham-bone Bean Soup –
Six bowls for 66c!

these cuts *and* add flavor by marinating 2 or 3 days in the refrigerator—to do the job, use a marinade with a tart base (lemon juice, vinegar, tomato). Of course, cube steaks come from less-tender cuts, but the meatman has cut the fibers in his scoring machine. Newly available in some markets is beef that has been enzyme-tendered by the meat packer so any cut may be oven-roasted or broiled.

Ham-bone Soup (above) is the kind of heart-warming supper the family likes to come home to on a blustery night. And lucky the guest who is invited to share! What makes it so special is the rich, rich flavor that smoked hocks or a meaty shank bone imparts at pocket-change cost. Dish up the soup while it's still too hot to sample (fun to turn a big beanpot into a tureen). And pass a basket of steaming corn sticks (or toasty crackers). This time, salad is a plate of pickled beets and onion rings. To satisfy the sweet tooth, you can't do better than an old-time baked prune whip like Grandmother's.

Yes, there's good eating aplenty, so turn to our trusty recipes—they're like money in the bank!

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HOW TO SAVE MONEY AT THE FOOD STORE

Food bills just don't pinch now and then. They hang on and squeeze in a way that can have you hurting always. Sure, you have to eat regularly—there's no way out of that. But there's more to keeping your standing as a good cook and hostess than simply paying off big at the food store. Too many women go right on buying the same foods each week, cooking and dishing them up in the same ways—never bringing to this most tasty of all activities the relish and change of pace it can so easily have. That's too bad. There are so many ways to feed a family well, and to do it on less money than you're spending now.

Plan meals in advance

If you're the easy-going sort, it might seem silly to approach a trip to the store with needs written out and definite spending limits established. But that's the way you will get biggest value for your food dollar.

It's smart, of course, to plan meals ahead so you know where you are and where you're going. This works to your advantage psychologically as well as financially. If the kitchen bulletin board announces that this is the morning for French toast, then you'll use that old bread. You won't find yourself slicing away at the Canadian bacon simply because it was on yesterday's menu and you're not quite bright before that first cup of coffee.

If the board says meat loaf is on the menu tonight, then you'll get it ready after breakfast and stow it, all ready to bake, in the refrigerator. There will be no temptation to suggest eating out after a late club session because "there's simply nothing in the house to eat."

Spend food money for food

According to the United States Department of Agriculture, we spend 20 per cent of our disposable income (what's left after taxes) on food. That's one-fifth of the bacon the breadwinner totes home—and that's a big chunk.

The 20 per-cent figure is *not* meant to cover all you buy at your supermarket. It's for food alone, and would have to be higher by a long shot to include the toothbrushes, cigarettes, records, and even clothes you put in the cart along with the carrots and hot dogs. When doping out a "food budget," be sure Old Dad understands that it takes in just the edibles.

If it's not working out that way, maybe you should talk the man with the checkbook into doing a little readjustment in his figures so things like school supplies, drugs, cosmetics and hose, even furniture and garden supplies aren't chalked up against an allotment set up to provide three good, nutritious meals a day—including company meals.

Go in for specials

What you feed the family next week probably will be determined by what grocers in your area serve up this weekend to tantalize you. Or at least it should be. Grocers entice us into their stores with rather spectacular specials, some of them at cost or even under, in hopes we'll stop for those specials, then stay to buy the week's supplies. Usually we do. It's good practice, too, for it doesn't make sense going from store to store picking up a bargain here and there. Time, patience, and gasoline are too valuable to waste in that manner.

Quality of the meat sold should be a big factor in where you shop. The biggest chunk of the food dollar goes for meat, and here, too, can be the biggest food saving. When you find a meatman who pleases you, it makes sense to stay with him. The meat business is so competitive that prices have to be in line with the grade of meat the market sells and the services it provides. If not, the store won't be in business long.

Stock up on weekend meat specials. One of the best ways to make the home freezer pay for itself is to buy enough on special to last awhile. But don't get carried away with bargains and buy too much.

Buy big—sometimes

If you don't need meat and you do enjoy shopping around, then find another appealing weekend special to lead you to a certain store, possibly a good buy in a staple like sugar or flour, detergent, or juice. Just be sure the "special" is something you really want and need—then load up.

But buy groceries in quantity only if you have the storage space. It may take a slide rule or a major in mathematics to figure how much you're paying per ounce on a certain size, but if you have a cabinet shelf high enough to hold it, you can assume the big box is the bargain. Use your head, though. While Grandmother bought nothing smaller than a gallon of vinegar and a 49-pound sack of flour, you probably don't pickle and bake enough to need so much at a time. [*Turn to page 82*

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New diet—high in protein, low in calories and cost 70



Great Idea: meatball soup

Good 'n hearty, this soup-pot supper. And it takes only minutes to make with Campbell's Soup. Shape ½ lb. seasoned ground beef into 12 small meatballs. Brown slowly in saucepan (use shortening, if necessary); pour off excess drippings. Push meatballs to side; stir in 1 can Campbell's Minestrone Soup, 1 soup can water. Heat, stirring now and then. 2 to 3 servings.

Try making Meatball Soup with these good Campbell's Soups, too: Bean with Bacon, Cream of Mushroom, Cream of Vegetable, Green Pea, Tomato Rice, or Vegetable Soup

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How to save money *Continued*

Careful on the perishables, too. You'll find wonderful buys in apples by the bushel and potatoes by the 100-pound sack. But if your house has no cool basement, these can spoil faster than you can eat them. You aren't saving money when you toss half the bushel away. And you aren't *eating* well, either, if you're constantly using those on the brink of spoiling.

In summer, when soft fruits are in season, buy by the box instead of the piece. Keep a lug of peaches, pears, or purple plums in a cool spot and bring out a handful at a time to ripen at room temperature. If they ripen at once, the refrigerator can be made to accommodate them.

Buy top grade some of the time

Remember, high price doesn't guarantee high quality in taste or food value. An outsize picture-book apple is lovely in a centerpiece, but it can be as tasteless as cardboard. A 49-cent pound of ground beef packs more nutrition than a $1.29-pound of T-bone, because it contains no waste. Pork liver is higher in nutritive value than calf liver, at less than half the price.

Sometimes it's downright extravagant to buy top quality. If green beans are to be buttered, you want the best. If you plan a casserole or skillet concoction with bacon and onions, a lesser grade is fine. It's foolish to buy perfect stuffed olives to cut up for olive-cheese spread when you can buy chopped olives at a bargain. Canned fruit in mixed pieces of irregular size may not be the prettiest, but it will be tasty. (There's a good chance it broke because it was completely and sweetly ripe at canning time.) Of course, for a beautiful salad or dessert arrangement of, say, pineapple slices, you'll want perfect fruit; but don't skip the penny-wise pineapple chunks, tidbits, and crushed pineapple for cut-up use.

If eggs at your house are mostly fried or poached, you'll want top grade so those yolks stand right up there and sass you back. If you use eggs principally in cooking, lesser grades work fine and they are just as high in food value. Don't scorn a little egg. It is the early effort of a young hen and is usually the best egg buy in autumn. By late winter, big ones give you most for your egg money. Color of the shell is influenced by the breed of chicken that laid it and doesn't influence what's inside. Except for Easter, when the youngsters need white ones to color, it makes no difference whether eggs are white or brown or some shade in between.

Be flexible in your food plan

If the lettuce on your list costs twice as much this week as last, skip it and substitute cabbage or another salad green. And don't blame your produce man for that astronomical price rise. He knows he would lose customers if he upped prices arbitrarily. Unseasonal heavy freezes—and too much rain or not enough—can wipe out a fruit or vegetable crop. If the affected area normally supplies most of the nation's needs, you can count on a higher price—with good reason for it.

Green shrimp jumped 15 to 20 cents a pound, wholesale, late last summer after Hurricane Carla battered the Texas and Louisiana coasts. The hurricane stirred up shrimp beds, smashed shrimp boats and processing buildings.

We simply can't get away from it: that old law of supply and demand we struggled over in high school economics still is something to struggle over in the food store. Where there's short supply, there's high demand—and a price to match. But don't struggle too hard. There is sure to be some sort of tempting and economical substitute—and you may be introducing your family to an unfamiliar dish that becomes a favorite.

Yes, use convenience foods!

You may have considered reverting to Grandmother's day and cooking completely from scratch. Don't—at least not altogether.

If you have a way with figures, total up just how much money you spend on a dish made from scratch and compare it to its 1962 counterpart from envelope, package, or can. You'll be surprised, for mass production works in wondrous ways to provide convenience foods at a convenient price.

Even when a partially prepared or fully prepared food costs extra, on occasion it may be worth it in ease and time saved.

Most families use a combination of foods—unprepared, partly prepared, and ready-to-heat-and-eat. This is as it should be, for there's a lot of good flavor in home cooking—not to mention the satisfaction of creative cookery. But don't forget that you can get homemade flavor and the satisfaction by putting your own personality to a prepared food.

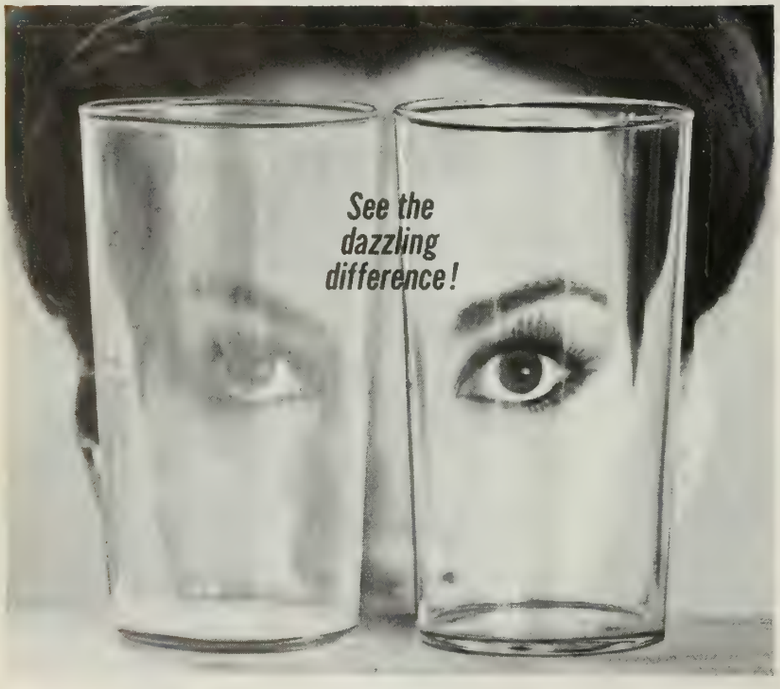
Save more by cooking more

It's true. The more you cook, the more you save on food costs. It's those unplanned last-minute heat-and-eat and fried meat meals with delicatessen salads and ready-made sweets that take greedy bites out of the food dollar.

When you find a real meat buy, perhaps beef pot roast, buy it big because it's a bargain. Then use the largest portion as pot roast, with planned leftovers to appear

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another day in a succulent meat pie or good honest hash.

The "small half" of uncooked roast can be cut in thin strips and made into Stroganoff for another meal. Of course, classic Stroganoff calls for sirloin, but give those snippets of meat a lingering in moist heat, season them nicely, and by the time the concoction is heated ever so gently in sour cream and served over a hump of fluffed rice, who'd know it wasn't sirloin? This little play may have saved you as much as 50 cents a pound!

Don't overlook meat tenderizer. It will do wonders for those so-called less-tender cuts.

When ham is on special, go ahead and buy a whole one, even if your family is small. With a smile at a meatman not rushed, you can get him to cut some of the center into thin slices for frying and a thick slice or two for baking or charcoaling. Then there are two good roasts left, the butt and the shank. If that's too much baked ham, get yourself a bag of dried beans and simmer with the shank for a grand batch of Ham-bone Bean Soup. (The recipe is on page 90.) Have bowlfuls as the main course with corn sticks, and if you're lucky enough to have some left, serve it another day as just cups of soup to go with sandwiches.

Serve company "next best"

We're all inclined to put our best food forward for a party. This is nice for the guests, that one evening, but what about the poor souls who have to make out for the rest of the week on the nothing that's left? Actually, candlelight and gay accessories can make guest fare of a great casserole. Reserve the Porterhouse steaks and lobster tails, the hearts of palm and artichoke bottoms for festive family meals. It's family you like best and they deserve the best. Besides, there's fewer of them!

Get wise to inexpensive substitutes for luxury party dress-ups. Mash some liver sausage, thin it with sour cream and season to taste, and you'll not miss French-and-fancy pate de foie gras. Economical appetizer: sea scallops on picks with cocktail dip—delicious!

If you have neither time, inclination, nor cash for living room tidbits and full-blown meals each time you want some friends in, consider brunch—or an evening of cards climaxed with "after 10" type of dessert or snack of cheese and crackers.

Never pass up the fun of company on the basis of your budget. Sometimes the weather or the occasion demands simple family fare served in homespun manner. Great bowls of split-pea soup before an open fire at tables covered with checked cloths may be more appreciated in January than prime ribs in the dining room. Charcoaled hamburgers seem right after any vigorous, informal activity—for friends or family. There are just plenty of times when filet mignon is unnecessary—even presumptuous—and you'll want to take advantage of those times. Think of the warmth that can be generated and good conversation sparked over a big pot of corned beef and cabbage in the kitchen dining area on a cold winter night.

Whether it's a party or a meal to serve in a hurry to the family only, you can afford anything the grocer has there to tantalize you—at least once in a while. And by playing it smart and making a game of getting the most out of your food dollar, you will come up with extra dollars for luxuries every twice in a while.

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Quick griddle rubdown leaves only a light film—prevents sticking. Easy, effective!

Mix up pancake batter. Then right before pouring, rub *hot* griddle with crumpled waxed paper. When cakes are ready to turn, you'll be able to flip them with ease! Rub griddle again with waxed paper between batches.

NEW RECIPE IDEA

Macaroni 'n' Tuna Seaside Skillet

MACARONI 'N' TUNA SEASIDE SKILLET

Savory, new dish that's quick and easy to make

Here's a tasty meal you can fix right on top of your stove—FRANCO-AMERICAN Macaroni with Cheese Sauce—combined with onions, peas, and tuna. It's high in flavor, but low in cost.

- ¼ cup chopped onion
- ¼ teaspoon dry mustard
- ¼ teaspoon paprika
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 2 cans Franco-American Macaroni
- 1 can (7 ounces) tuna, drained and flaked
- 1 cup cooked peas



In skillet, cook onion, mustard, and paprika in butter until onion is tender. Add macaroni, tuna, and peas. Heat, stirring now and then. 4 to 6 servings.

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Bake a coffeecake!

File under Breads



Flaky Danish Crescent

1 package active dry yeast
¼ cup *warm* water
2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
1 tablespoon sugar
½ teaspoon salt
½ cup chilled butter or margarine
¼ cup milk, scalded
1 slightly beaten egg yolk
Meringue Filling
½ cup chopped almonds or pecans

Soften yeast in water. Sift together dry ingredients; cut in butter till some of the mixture is like corn meal and some the size of peas. Mix cooled milk and egg yolk; add with yeast to flour, stirring to make a soft dough. Cover; chill a few hours or overnight. Halve dough (keep half chilled). On floured surface, roll one piece in 12x9-inch rectangle, about ⅛ inch thick. Reserve 2 tablespoons Meringue Filling for glaze; spread dough with *half* of remainder. Sprinkle with *half* the nuts. Roll as for jelly roll (start at long side). Seal edges and ends. Place roll, seam down, on cooky sheet. Shape in crescent; flatten slightly. Repeat with remaining dough. Cover; let rise in warm place till almost double (about 1 hour). Brush with reserved Meringue. To garnish, sprinkle with additional almonds, thinly sliced. Bake in moderate oven (375°) 20 minutes or till done. Serve warm. Makes 2. **Meringue Filling:** Fold ½ cup sugar and 1 teaspoon cinnamon into 1 stiff-beaten egg white.

Mrs. Laura W. Laning, Oldsmar, Florida

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Hearty meat pies

Ham Loaf in Cheese Crust

1½ cups finely crushed rich round cheese crackers
¼ cup melted butter or margarine
1 pound ground cooked or canned ham
1 6-ounce can (⅔ cup) evaporated milk
2 slightly beaten eggs
½ cup finely chopped onion
¼ cup finely chopped green pepper
1 tablespoon prepared mustard
1 tablespoon prepared horseradish
¼ teaspoon salt

For crust, mix cracker crumbs and butter; reserve 2 tablespoons. Press remaining crumbs over bottom and sides of a 9-inch pie plate. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 10 minutes. For ham filling, combine remaining ingredients; mix well. Turn into baked crust. Sprinkle with reserved crumbs. Bake in 350° oven 45 to 50 minutes or till done. Let stand 5 minutes, then cut in wedges. Makes 6 servings.

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File under Casseroles





Curry-top Chicken Pie

¾ cup sliced carrots
2 onions, cut in eighths
½ cup milk
2 tablespoons flour
1 can (1¼ cups) chicken gravy
1 cup drained canned or cooked peas
2 tablespoons chopped pimiento
2 cups diced cooked or canned chicken
1 recipe Curry Pastry

Cook carrots and onions in boiling salted water till tender; drain. Gradually stir milk into flour; add gravy. Cook and stir till thick. Add vegetables and chicken; heat to bubbling. Turn into an 8x8x2-inch pan. Top with Curry Pastry; crimp edge and cut slits. Bake in very hot oven (450°) 25 minutes or till browned. Makes 6 servings. **Curry Pastry:** Crumble 1 stick pastry mix into bowl; add 1½ teaspoons curry powder, then follow package directions. Roll to a 9-inch square, ⅛ inch thick.

Mrs. George H. Zehrer, Barnegat, New Jersey



Big-biscuit Hamburger Bake

1 pound ground beef
½ cup chopped onion
1 can condensed cream of vegetable soup
½ teaspoon crushed oregano
Dash freshly ground pepper
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1 recipe Big Biscuit

Cook ground beef and onion till meat is brown; drain off excess fat. Stir in soup and seasonings; heat to bubbling. Turn into an 8¼x1¾-inch round ovenware cake dish. Top with **Big Biscuit:** Add ½ cup milk, all at once, to 1 cup packaged biscuit mix. Stir with fork into a soft dough; beat 15 strokes. Spread over *hot* meat mixture. Bake in very hot oven (450°) 15 minutes or till browned. Spread biscuit with ½ cup dairy sour cream. Sprinkle with ½ cup shredded Parmesan cheese, then snipped parsley. Bake 2 minutes. Makes 6 servings.

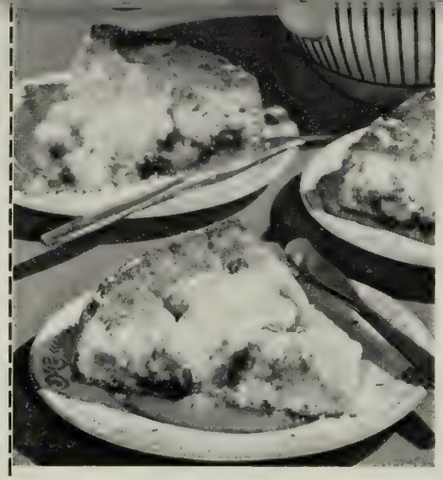
Mrs. John L. Goldman, Rochester, New York



Beef Stew with Sesame Biscuits

Cook 1 pound 1-inch cubes beef chuck in ¼ cup soy sauce 5 minutes, stirring frequently. Add 2 cups water. Cover; simmer 30 to 45 minutes or till almost tender. Add 4 carrots, cut in 1-inch pieces, 2 cups diced potatoes, 2 onions, quartered, 1 cup bias-cut celery slices, 1 teaspoon salt, and ¼ teaspoon garlic salt. Cover and simmer till meat and vegetables are tender, about 20 minutes. Mix 2 tablespoons *each* cornstarch and cold water; stir into stew; cook and stir till boiling. With a 1-inch cutter, remove centers from 7 or 8 packaged refrigerated biscuits. Pour *hot* stew into 2-quart casserole; place biscuits on top. Brush with melted butter; sprinkle with toasted sesame seed. Bake in hot oven (425°) 10 to 15 minutes or till done. Makes 6 servings.

Regina Rodina, Saint Joseph, Missouri



Muffin-mix Coffeecake

½ package (1 packet) orange-muffin mix
2 tablespoons pineapple-apricot preserves
3 tablespoons sugar
3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
3 tablespoons chopped California walnuts

Prepare batter from muffin mix according to package directions. Pour into greased 8x1½-inch round pan. Dot preserves (cut any large pieces) evenly over batter. Sprinkle with **Streusel:** Combine sugar and flour. Cut in butter till crumbly; stir in nuts. Bake coffeecake in hot oven (400°) 18 to 20 minutes or till done. Serve warm in wedges.

Mrs. James W. Wells, Collinsville, Illinois



Banana Ambrosia Ring

1 recipe Coconut Topper
2 cups packaged biscuit mix
3 tablespoons sugar
½ cup mashed ripe banana
1 slightly beaten egg
3 tablespoons melted butter or margarine
2 tablespoons sugar
1 teaspoon cinnamon
2 tablespoons butter or margarine

Spread Coconut Topper over bottom of 5-cup ring mold. Combine biscuit mix and 3 tablespoons sugar. Stir in banana, egg, and melted butter. Beat vigorously 1 minute. Spoon *half* the batter over coconut in mold. Mix 2 tablespoons sugar with the cinnamon; sprinkle over batter; dot with butter. Cover with remaining batter. Bake in moderate oven (375°) 20 minutes or till done. Invert to unmold. Serve warm. **Coconut Topper:** Mix ½ cup flaked coconut with ⅓ cup maple-flavored syrup and 2 tablespoons melted butter or margarine.

Mrs. Richard W. Atwood, New York, New York



William Tell Coffeecake

¼ cup butter or margarine
¾ cup sugar
1 egg
1 teaspoon vanilla
1½ cups sifted all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon nutmeg
¼ teaspoon salt
⅔ cup milk
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1 recipe Apple Top

Stir butter to soften. Cream together butter and sugar till fluffy. Add egg and vanilla; beat well. Sift together dry ingredients; add to creamed mixture alternately with milk, beating smooth after each addition. Pour into greased 9x9x2-inch pan. Sprinkle with Apple Top. Bake in moderate oven (375°) 25 to 30 minutes or till done. Cool 15 minutes; cut in squares and serve warm. **Apple Top:** Combine 1 cup finely chopped pared tart apple, ⅓ cup sugar, and 1 teaspoon cinnamon.

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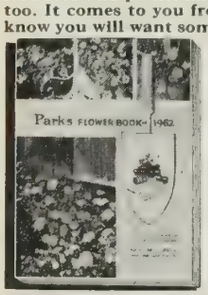
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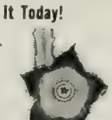
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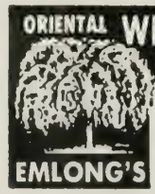
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Sweet-Sour Pork

Strips of boneless pork and pineapple chunks make this an elegant economy dish. Next time serve over fried noodles—

- 1½ pounds lean pork shoulder, cut in 2x½-inch strips

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- 1 No. 2 can (2½ cups) pineapple chunks
- ¼ cup brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- ¼ cup vinegar
- 2 to 3 tablespoons soy sauce
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 small green pepper, cut in strips
- ¼ cup *thinly* sliced onion

Brown pork in small amount hot fat. Add ½ cup water; cover and simmer (*do not boil*) till tender, about 1 hour. Drain pineapple, reserving syrup. Combine sugar and cornstarch; add pineapple syrup, vinegar, soy sauce, and salt. Add to pork; cook and stir till gravy thickens. Add pineapple, green pepper, and onion. Cook 2 or 3 minutes. Serve over hot fluffy rice and pass extra soy sauce. Makes 7 servings.

Tamale Pie

Gala and good! Peppery filling of ground beef, tomatoes, and golden corn bakes beneath stripes of corn meal—

- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 small green pepper, chopped
- 1 tablespoon fat
- ¾ pound ground beef

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- 2 8-ounce cans (2 cups) seasoned tomato sauce
- 1 12-ounce can (1½ cups) whole kernel corn, drained
- ½ cup chopped pitted ripe olives
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 to 3 teaspoons chili powder
- Dash pepper

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- 1½ cups shredded process American cheese

Corn-meal Topper:

- ¾ cup yellow corn meal
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 2 cups cold water
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine

Cook onion and green pepper in hot fat till just tender. Add meat and brown lightly; spoon off excess fat. Add next 8 ingredients. Simmer 20 to 25 minutes or till thick. Add cheese; stir till melted. Pour into 10x6x1½-inch baking dish.

Make Corn-meal Topper: Stir corn meal and the ½ teaspoon salt into the cold water. Cook and stir till thick. Add butter; mix well. Spoon over meat mixture, making narrow stripes. Bake in moderate oven (375°) 40 minutes or till top is browned. Makes 6 servings.

Best Beef Brisket

Delicious oven meal that's so easy! Some left for another day? You're lucky!—

Trim excess fat from 3 pounds fresh boneless beef brisket. Place meat in Dutch oven with *tight-fitting* lid. Sprinkle with 1½ teaspoons salt and dash *each* of pepper and paprika. Add 1 bay leaf. Cut 3 medium onions in thick slices and arrange over meat. (Do not add water.) Cover and bake in slow oven (300° to 325°) 3½ to 4½ hours or till very tender. Last hour of baking, arrange 6 medium potatoes, pared and halved lengthwise, around brisket; sprinkle potatoes with ½ teaspoon salt and dash pepper; cover and continue to bake till done, turning and basting potatoes every 15 minutes. (If meat and potatoes need more browning uncover the last 30 minutes—remember to turn and baste potatoes.) Skim off excess fat. Serve brisket with the good meat juices or thicken gravy. To carve, cut across the grain, slanting knife slightly and making *thin* slices. Pass prepared horseradish. Makes 9 servings.

Braised Short Ribs with Onion Gravy

High on most men's popularity list. Slow browning of the meat is the secret to flavor—

Trim excess fat from 3 pounds beef short ribs; heat fat in Dutch oven. Roll short ribs in flour; *slowly* brown on all sides in the hot fat. When thoroughly browned, spoon off fat. Sprinkle meat with 1 teaspoon salt and dash pepper; add 1 medium onion, sliced, and ½ cup water. Cover and simmer* (*do not boil*) till tender, 2 to 2½ hours. (Add more water if needed during cooking.) Lift meat from the stock to a warm platter; keep meat hot while you make Onion Gravy. Makes 6 servings.

*Or cover and cook in slow to moderate oven (325° to 350°) 2 to 2½ hours or till tender.

Onion Gravy: Skim fat from short-rib stock, reserving 2 tablespoons. Measure stock and add hot water to make 2 cups; set aside. Brown ¼ cup sugar in the 2 tablespoons fat. Add 4 medium onions, sliced; cook and stir till tender. Push onions to one side. Add 2 tablespoons flour; brown slightly. Remove from heat. Slowly stir in meat stock, 2 tablespoons vinegar and ½ teaspoon kitchen bouquet. Return to heat and cook, stirring constantly, till gravy is bubbling all over. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Continue *cooking slowly* about 5 minutes, stirring now and then. Serve hot with short ribs.

Hungarian Goulash

Traditional Hungarian stew with expertly seasoned tomato sauce—

- 1½ pounds boneless lean beef chuck or beef stew meat, cut in 1½-inch cubes
- ¼ cup fat
- 2 medium onions, chopped
- 2 tablespoons flour
- ½ to ¾ teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon paprika
- Dash thyme

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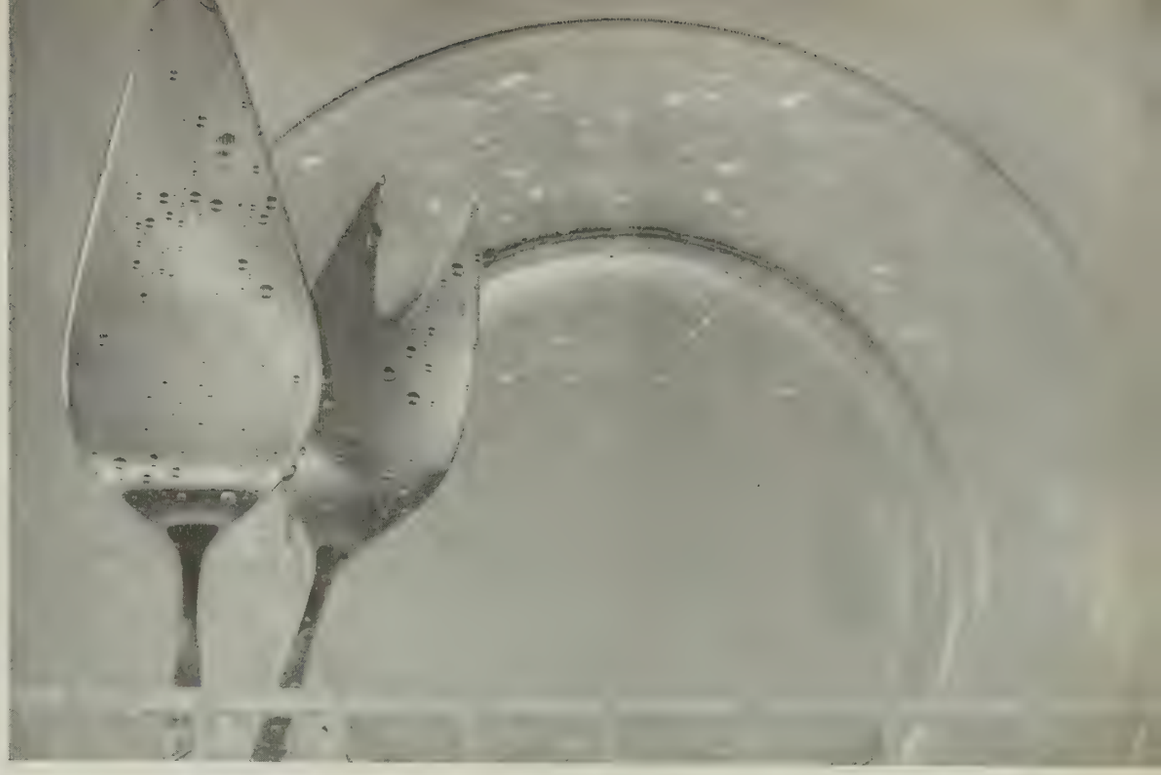
- 1 1-pound can (2 cups) tomatoes
- 1 8-ounce can (1 cup) seasoned tomato sauce
- 3 bouillon cubes
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 Bouquet Garni*

Brown beef slowly in hot fat to develop flavor. Add onions and

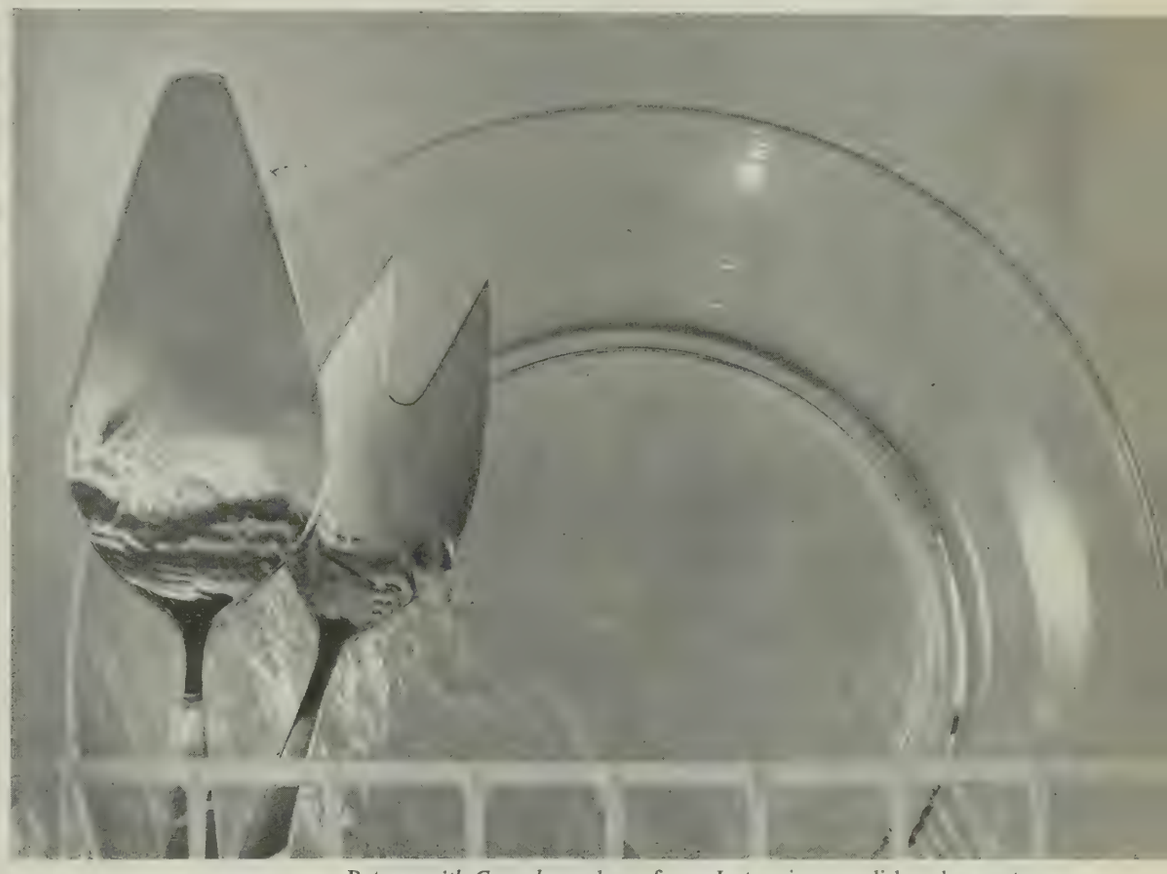
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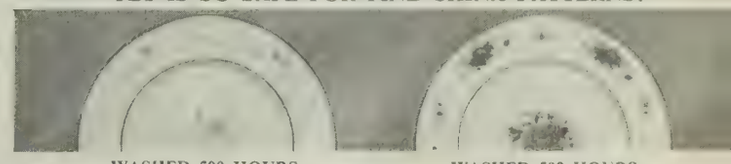
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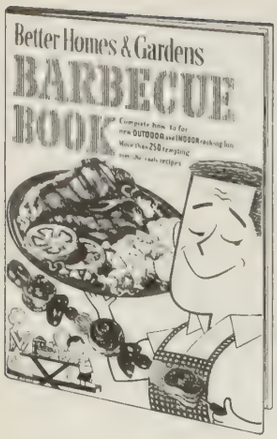
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cook till onions are tender. Blend in flour, salt, paprika, and thyme. Drain tomatoes, reserving liquid; add water to liquid to make 1½ cups and add to meat. Add tomatoes and remaining ingredients; heat to boiling. Reduce heat, cover and simmer (*do not boil*) about 1½ hours or till meat is tender, stirring occasionally. Remove Bouquet Garni. Serve with hot noodles. Makes 6 servings.

*Bouquet Garni: 1 bay leaf, 1 stalk celery and leaves, and few sprigs parsley tied together with string.

Ham-bone Bean Soup

Wonderful old-fashioned favorite made via the quick new soaking method. Of course, beans may be soaked overnight if you prefer—

Thoroughly wash 1 pound (about 2⅔ cups) dry navy beans. Cover with 2 quarts (8 cups) cold water; bring to boiling and boil gently 2 minutes. Remove from heat; cover and let stand 1 hour. (Do not drain.) Add one 1½-pound meaty ham bone, ½ teaspoon salt, 6 whole black peppers, and 1 bay leaf. Cover and heat to boiling; boil gently till beans are tender, about 3 to 3½ hours, adding 1 medium onion, sliced, last half hour of cooking. Remove ham bone; if desired, mash a few of the beans with potato masher. Cut ham off bone and return meat to soup. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Makes 6 servings.

Easy Beef Loaf

Always a favorite way to draw in the purse strings—

⅔ cup fine cracker crumbs
1 cup milk
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1½ pounds ground beef
2 beaten eggs
½ cup chopped onion
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon monosodium glutamate

10 PARTIES the kids

2. Giant-land dinner party: Toddlers and nursery school children love feeling bigger than they are, so let them! They're giant-size at this party. Use the tiniest dolls, (they're people, of course) cups and saucers to suit them, and demitasse spoons. Arrange them on and around a big square of cardboard right smack in the center of the floor. This allows giant people to tower over the table! Favors are dolls' hats; the centerpiece is made of miniature flowers. The menu consists of thimble-size hamburgers on little biscuits (let's see how many the giants can gulp down), thumb-size scoops of ice cream made with a melon scoop, and inch-square bits of cake. No games necessary in giant land.

3. Wonderland wing-ding: "Alice" is never out-of-date, and why should she be when such "curious" things happen to her. An afternoon with "Alice" is a delightful type of party to give. Cover a cardboard barrel with grass cloth and place it in the center of the doorway with the rest of the space hung with crepe paper. The children must crawl through this "rabbit hole" to get to the party room. Remove all breakables and lamps and cover remaining furniture with sheets. Then you can decorate around the piled-up furniture. Your Christmas tree lights will give an eerie glow. A large black cat made of paper will set the wonderland scene. Take a cue for the games from the book: (yes, get it out and reread it) checkerboard hopscotch where the person who wins loses, and padded croquet mallets made of wire hangers to be used in a pick-up sticks manner. Make your table look like the Mad Hatter's tea party with white pinafores for the girls, Mad Hatter cardboard hats for the boys. Invitations and place cards, too, should be written in looking-glass writing.

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6. Train to Nowhere: We recommend this for energetic little boys! Place a small train made from cardboard boxes decorated to resemble the various cars of a train—engine,

spending low

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½ to ¾ teaspoon ground sage
Dash pepper

Soak cracker crumbs in milk; add remaining ingredients; mix well. Shape in loaf on shallow baking pan. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 45 to 50 minutes. Makes 8 servings.

Frank Bake, Italian Style

Flavor bargain—6 servings, one buck!—

8 ounces medium noodles
1 10-ounce package frozen chopped spinach
1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup
⅓ cup water
6 tablespoons barbecue sauce
½ pound (4 or 5) frankfurters, sliced on the bias
½ cup shredded process cheese

Cook noodles in boiling salted water till tender; drain. Meanwhile cook spinach according to package directions; drain. Spread spinach over bottom of 9x9x2-inch baking dish. Combine noodles, soup, water, and *4 tablespoons* of the barbecue sauce; pour over spinach. Combine rest of barbecue sauce and franks; scatter over noodles. Sprinkle with cheese. Bake in moderate oven (375°) 25 minutes or till hot through. Makes 6 servings.

Chicken Scallop

Company special on a tiny purse—

Cook ⅓ cup rice in 2 cups chicken broth* about 10 minutes or till partially tender. Add 2½ cups diced cooked chicken or turkey, ⅓ cup chopped celery, ¼ cup chopped pimiento, 2 beaten eggs, ¾ teaspoon salt, and dash poultry seasoning. Pour into 10x6x1½-inch baking dish. Bake in slow oven (325°) 40 to 45 minutes or till set. Makes 6 to 8 servings. Serve hot with **Mushroom sauce:** Heat 1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup with ⅓ cup milk.

*You may use canned chicken broth or 2 chicken bouillon cubes dissolved in 2 cups hot water.

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coal car, boxcar, and so forth in the center of your room. The boxcar makes an excellent container for presents. Divide your group into railroad crews, engineer, brakeman, fireman; supply each with appropriate hats. Let each group take a part of the train outdoors and fill it with proper freight from designated locations in your neighborhood. Whistle your train crew home when it's time for refreshments. If you've an electric train, use it for a table centerpiece, moving up and down the table to dispense tidbits for hungry conductors.

7. Cartoon character party: They all know the characters in the comic strips, and can be depended on to come dressed as their favorite. Games should have the cartoon theme, from a Donald Duck treasure hunt to a Dagwood "string-eating" contest. The food: Wimpy burgers will delight any comic character.

8. Pirate party: Yo-ho-ho and a bottle of pop! Pirates have been going on for quite some time but they're never out of date. This one should feature a treasure hunt with appropriate clues written on pieces of skillfully aged paper (a little smudging and dirt will do the trick). You'll find bags of bright pennies, sacks of marbles, and rubber daggers make excellent prizes.

9. Puzzle party: It's a costume jamboree, of course. You can dress as a book, a book character, someone from television or the movies—or even an advertising slogan or commercial. Part of the glee is guessing who's who. Games are along the puzzle line. It's much more fun when they're homemade. Give each child simple scenes cut out and backed with cardboard. Have a time limit for putting it together. Put up faces of personalities, familiar slogans, camouflaged magazine covers to be identified. Set up a long table with puzzle jars filled with beans, noodles, peanuts, etc., and have the party people make guesses. Rent two identical big jigsaw puzzles, divide the group into teams and see who puts them together first. Make the food a puzzle, too! Puzzle sandwiches (guess at the filling) . . . squares of cake with varicolored frosting and different flavors add a hilarious note. Give a prize for those who have guessed right (and eaten) everything on their plates.

10. Artists' Colony party: Everybody has a yen to be an artist . . . and here's the time to let them try. For younger groups, use the back yard with large sheets of white paper tacked to the fence. Collect as many worn-out men's shirts as you have guests. With the sleeves and shirt tails cut off, they make excellent smocks for pint-size Picassos. Provide each painter with a long brush and a couple of jelly glasses full of poster paint (premixed, please) and let them go to work. You'll have a Greenwich Village art show in no time at all. A committee of mothers and fathers can pin on blue, red, and yellow ribbons. Set up a group of card tables outside covered with red-checked tablecloths and give them something hearty and "spilly" like spaghetti to eat. Painting is very hard work, you know, and nobody minds a little overflow on the grass.

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What are some reliable rock garden plants for spring color year after year? ***K.J.T., Salt Lake City, Utah***

For sheets of bright color, it will be hard to beat perennial candytuft (*Iberis sempervirens*) with its compact heads of white flowers; wall rock-cress (*Arabis*) which makes a grayish-green carpet with dainty white flowers; purple- or rose-colored aubrieta. These plants seldom get much over 6 inches high.

We heard of a new box-elder tree that has beautiful variegated foliage. Is it worth-while for planting in the garden? ***S.I.G., Seattle, Washington***

Variegated foliage among perennials and shrubs is quite common, but rare among trees. That's why this variegated box-elder (*Acer negundo 'variegatum'*) has caught on so well with gardeners. I've seen it thriving up and down the entire coast and I like it. The leaves are light green in the center with wide margins of whitish-green. In summer they lend a shimmering, blooming effect to the whole tree.

The leaves drop quickly in early November. Pods help adorn its bare branches through the winter months. This is a good time to buy bare-root specimens for early planting.

How soon can we begin pruning our fuchsias? ***Mrs. F.E.W., Palos Verdes, California***

Even though you live in a favored mild spot, I'd suggest that you hold off until the middle of February. The best rule is to wait until all danger of frost is past. In the Northwest, for example, this would normally hold up any pruning of fuchsias until late March or April.

Which roses would be best for tub culture—miniatures, hybrid teas, or floribundas? ***F. L., Milwaukie, Oregon***

I don't think there is any doubt about it—floribundas will give you more color per square inch than the others, because of their candelabralike clusters of flowers and generally low bushy habit. Husky plants set in 16-inch redwood tubs should be able to grow almost indefinitely as long as you apply extra rations of plant food. I've seen some wonderful effects in tubs all over the West, from Salt Lake City down to San Diego. Fusilier, bright orange-red, is always great; so is Sarabande, with its Chinese-red blooms. Both were All-America winners.

Does the Christmas rose have any relation to the popular roses we enjoy in the summer? ***N.W., Nampa, Idaho***

No connection at all. Christmas rose is a member of the hellebore family, and although there are many hellebores, only *Helleborus niger* deserves the name of Christmas rose. Normal blooming time is from November until late January or February, but may be delayed in cold areas or where there is heavy snowfall. Divide the plants every five or six years in early spring after the flowers are gone.

We would like to pep up our azalea beds with some unusual companion plants. Do you have any suggestions? ***Mrs. W.C.D., Riverside, California***

How about drifts of Kaffir lilies (*Clivia miniata*) with bright orangeish, amaryllislike blooms between the azaleas? As a foreground border, I would suggest planting polyanthus primroses.

How do you prune tree roses? ***R. S., Silverton, Oregon***

They should be pruned like bush roses of same variety. Prune strong stems back to 8-12 inches from where they join main trunk. Remove weak or injured stems completely. Considerable trimming will be necessary all season long to maintain a symmetrical and pleasing shape of the heads.

Is it difficult to raise tuberous begonias from seed? ***P.S., Everett, Washington***

Starting plants from seed is not too tough. Giving additional heat (70-75 degrees) and taking precautions against damping-off disease (captan dust is good insurance) are the main differences from typical seed-sowing techniques.

Sow seed in late January to insure husky, blooming plants by July. They, in turn, will reward you with good-size tubers (½ to 1½ inches in diameter, depending on culture) for planting the following spring. Transplanting the seedlings is extremely tedious. They're tiny, almost microscopic, and will require three transplantings in flats before they are ready for setting outdoors in May.

When should we spray for peach leaf curl to protect our ornamental flowering types? ***G.B.L., Phoenix, Arizona***

Spray just before the buds begin to swell. This may be late January in your area, February in California, and March in the Northwest.

We're looking for sun-tolerant forms of camellias. Do you know of any? ***V.G., Walnut Creek, California***

Two recent introductions look pretty good to me. They are Brigadoon and Flirtation. Both are crosses of *Camellia saluenensis* and *C. japonica*, and tests show they will stand more sun than regular japonica hybrids. Sasanqua camellias, with their smaller foliage, also tolerate more sun. They have additional advantage of blooming in fall.

When can we prune our pyracanthas and cotoneasters? ***T.S.F., Tucson, Arizona***

Get started before all evidence of this winter's berries are gone. Old branches that have already borne fruit should be pruned back to new lateral ones. Since the berries are formed on two-year-old wood, this year's side branches will deliver next year's crop.

If you fail to prune regularly each year, fruit will form farther and farther out on the branch tips. Then you finally have to give the plants drastic "haircuts" to improve their appearance. Berries, of course, won't form until fruit-bearing wood develops.

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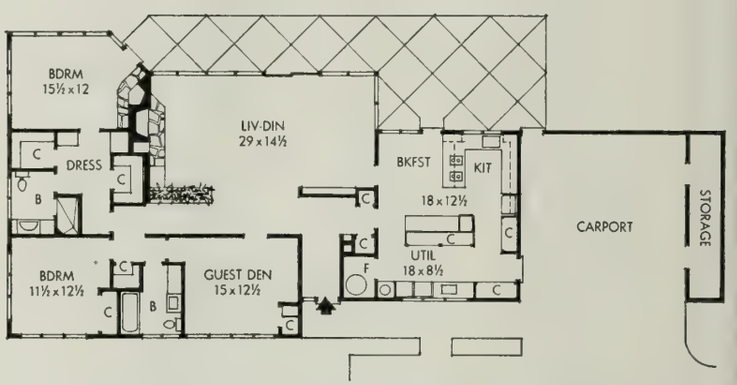
A valley view need not be shut out by curtains, because even the late afternoon sun is shielded from the windows by the peaked roof overhang. The overhang also keeps the midday sun and rain off the outdoor living area that extends from the bedroom door on the right to the kitchen door on the left.

Western character for any location

HERE'S proof that the right combination of the right ideas can't help but create a genuinely distinctive home. The terrace side, for example, combines rugged beams and a peaked overhang that thrusts dramatically from the rough-shingled roof.

Architect Van Evera Bailey achieved a low, clean look by using simple lines and natural materials whenever possible. Within a post-and-beam framework, he designed high ceilings and soffits made of 2x3s, nail-laminated together. The vertical cedar siding looks almost hand-crafted and needs little care.

The beauty of this home goes more than siding deep. The entire rear side is glass—waiting to be opened to a sweeping view, a garden, or a wooded knoll. And the front, or street side is closed enough to give privacy even on a busy thoroughfare.



The working, living, and sleeping areas of the house are all well defined for efficient living. Note that each area opens to the terrace at the rear.

The walk from the garage to the front door has been tucked under this projecting roof. The long, unbroken roof line gives this side of the house a clean-cut, tailored look. A parking area is conveniently located near the front door. Note that the sleeping area is at the other, more private end.



Architect: Van Evera Bailey, A.I.A. Builder: Max Shimshak, N.A.H.B. Decorator: Mary Loomis, A.I.D.



This informal breakfast area off the kitchen is convenient for serving most family meals. For entertaining, the owners use the dining end of the living room (see plan). In the summer, they move outdoors to the spacious dining terrace just visible beyond the center doorway.

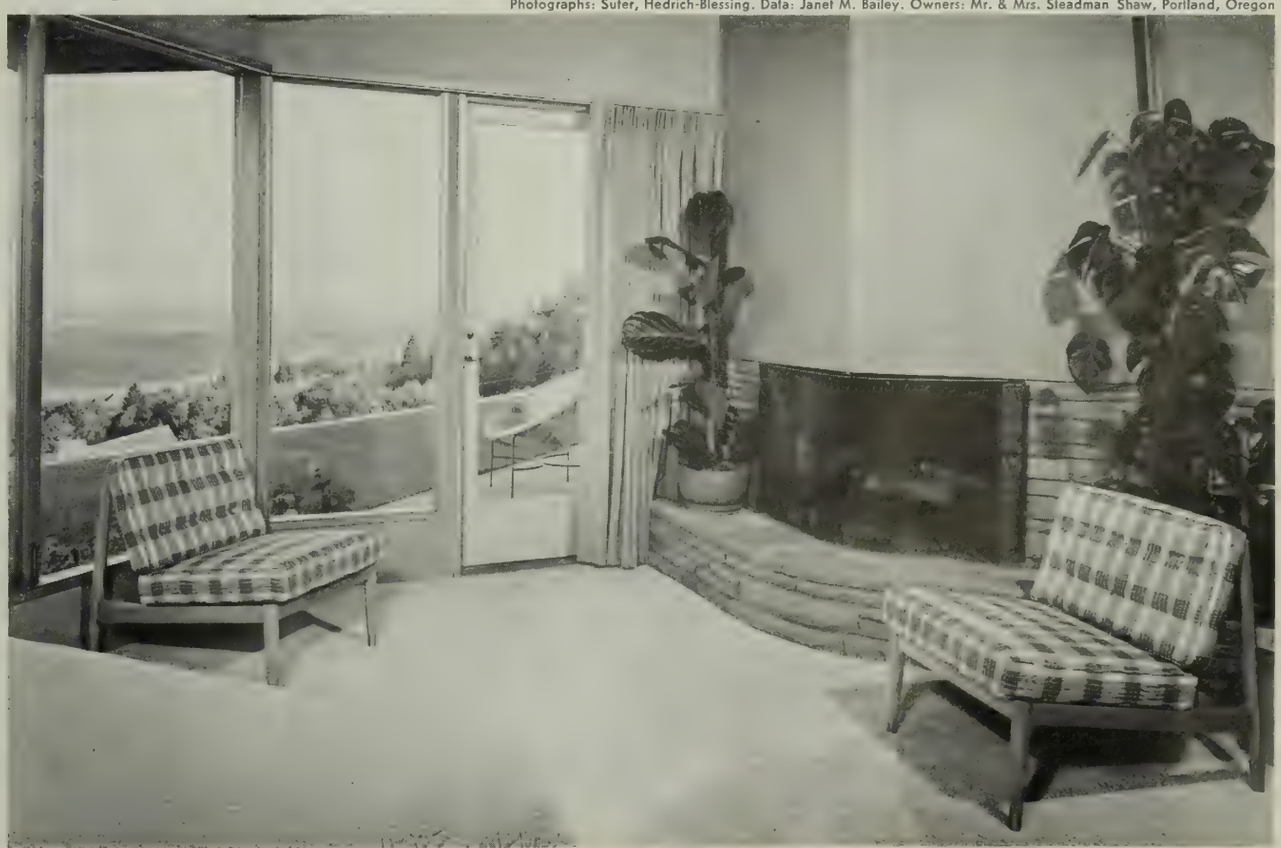


The massive appearance of the heavy beams and the stone wall is well balanced by the light feeling created by the tall windows and high ceilings. The ceiling and the soffits are constructed of 2x3s, on edge, nail-laminated together. The master-bedroom fireplace backs up against this one.

In this master bedroom, a door to the terrace and the large windows with sliding panels take full advantage of the view. The raised-hearth fireplace, dressing room, and bath make this part of the house a living-sleeping unit complete in itself.

The room is insulated from any noise in the rest of the house by the solid fireplace wall and the dressing room and closet.

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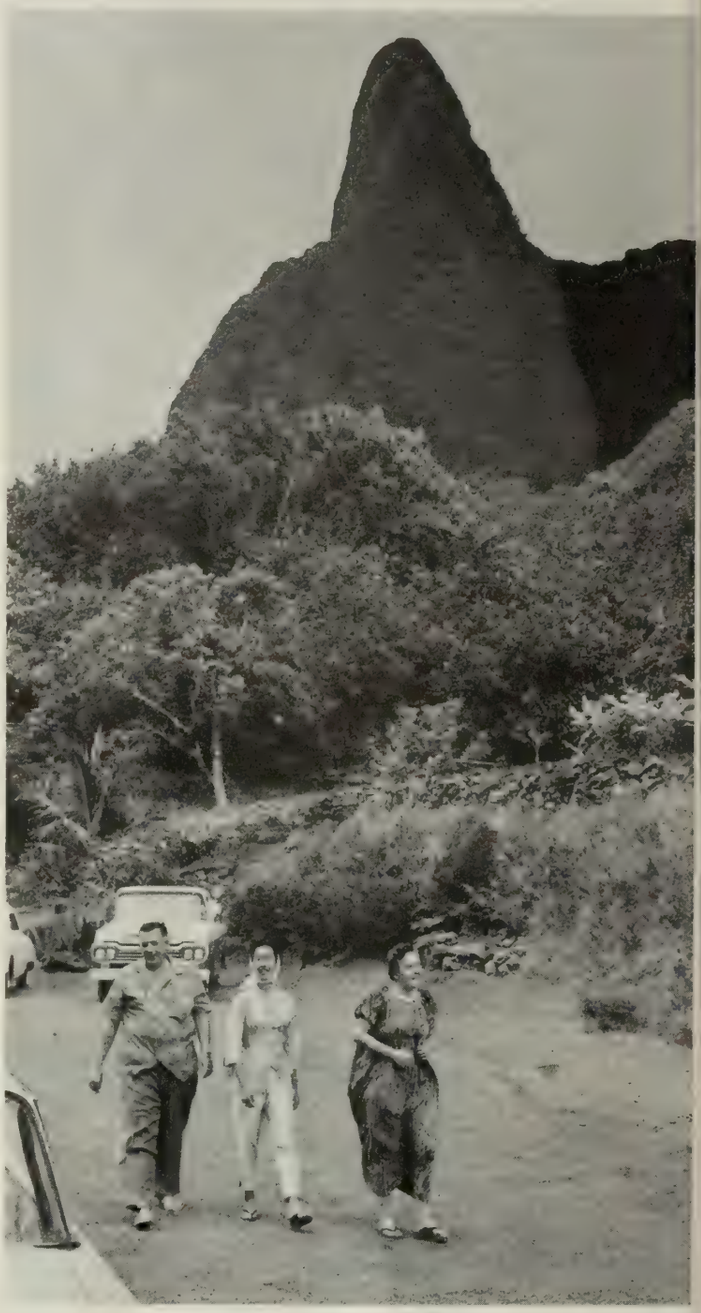
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Charlie King and his wife love mountainous Maui Island; with them is Islander Nancy Morihiro.

"To me this island gets more beautiful all the time. On weekends we pack a lunch and a transistor radio, a few books and a deck of cards. We've explored all over the island, fishing villages, little valleys. Charlie likes to collect shells. I'm interested in Hawaiian legends.

"What we've found here is a peace of mind we've never known before. We're sometimes short of money, but it doesn't worry us. It was different in Indiana. We would be frantic. Here if we have a bill, we know it's going to be paid. More important, the people we owe seem to know it, too."

Jane and Charlie do not own their own home. They have moved several times during their two-year stay on Maui. Rents have averaged about $80 per month. Their present house has no telephone, and Charlie drives 20 miles down the mountain to work every day. But he and Jane like the isolation. Their first expenditure in Hawaii was for a hi-fi. They make liberal use of the public library in Wailuku, checking out armloads of books and records every week.

On Maui, Charlie says, the twin problems of finding a job and a house are greater than on more populated Oahu. As in most country communities, job turnover is slow and rental housing is scarce. "I was lucky," Charlie says. "I had a lot of friends pulling for me."

These friends were parents of Hawaiian students the Kings had befriended years before at a teachers college in Terre Haute. Charlie and Jane made their home the off-campus headquarters for Island youngsters.

"I'd buy all the rice I could find in the supermarkets," Charlie remembers. "The students never got it in their cafeteria. Every weekend we'd have Chinese, Japanese, Filipino, and Hawaiian kids in the house. There were Buddhists, Catholics, and Protestants. Jane and I really got a lot more from them than they did from us."

In 1959, when Jane's mother died, the couple decided the time had come to make the move. They borrowed $2,000 and set out for the island of Maui in Hawaii.

"Parents of the students we'd known met us at the airport," Charlie recalls. "They wouldn't let us stay at a hotel. The first month we lived with Clarence Yoshioka and his family. He's manager of Haleakala Dairy. The next month we were guests of Mrs. Teruko Fujimoto, a florist. Without these friends, Jane and I would never have made it. I got my job the very day our money ran out."

Charlie wears slacks and a short-sleeved, open-necked sport shirt to work. Jane wears muumuus at home and also in the store. Both Charlie and Jane like Japanese and Hawaiian food.

They agree that the cost of living, except for rents, is higher than on the island of Oahu. However, Jane feels you save on clothes because "you just aren't anybody if you dress up.

"I think it all balances out. And anyway, it wouldn't make any difference if it didn't. I'd rather be poor on Maui than rich in Indiana. Besides, I'd never be rich there, either."

"What I didn't want when I got out of Stanford law school three years ago," says young Attorney Bob Bethea, "was the old routine of either living in San Francisco where the big law firms are, or commuting into the city every day from a suburb thirty miles away.

"Here in Hilo we found a large firm, with a demanding practice, but located in the kind of small community we like."

Bob is one of 13 lawyers with the firm of Carlsmith, Carlsmith, Wichman & Case of Hilo—population 27,000—a tropical little city rimming a large bay on the Big Island of Hawaii, 200 miles southeast of Oahu. The law firm, one of the largest in the 50th state, also has an office in Honolulu.

Bob often makes the trip on business. But he's always happy, he says, to get back to the slower pace of Hilo. "Once I rented a car at the airport in Honolulu," he remembers. "After driving in Hilo for a couple of years, that Honolulu traffic scared the daylights out of me."

The Betheas, Bob and Nancy, have two boys who were born in Hawaii. (Skip is three and Kimmy in one and a half.) As a "by-product" of the children, the family doctor and his wife, Pete and Marge Okimoto, have become family friends of the Betheas.

About a year ago, Bob and Nancy gave up the beach-front house they were renting for $90 a month, and bought a three-bedroom home of their own, inland, near the municipal golf course.

The house sold for $17,500, with payments at $123 a month. On their lot grow avocados, oranges, bananas, litchis, mangos, and papayas. There's an anthurium arbor in back, shaded by giant tree ferns. Flowers in the front and back yards include plumeria, gardenia, several varieties of ginger and orchids.

Both Bob and Nancy agree that costs are high in Hilo, especially utilities. Their electric bill for a complete set of electric appliances —washer, dryer, stove, refrigerator, freezer, and hot-water heater —is about $30 a month. Water is $2.50 per month, and the telephone bill comes to a monthly $7.70.

"One thing we've noticed that's quite a bit different," says Nancy, "is our menu. We eat a lot more rice than we used to. And I'm likely to order a turtle steak in a restaurant now. I never would have thought of it before."

The neighbors, in the pleasant residential section where they live, are the Theo Wongs, the Les Tanimotos, and the Peter Pakeles—respectively a road inspector, a vending machine operator, and a retired Civil Defense director.

The Betheas entertain about once a month. Their friends are other young couples in Hilo, and the parties are always informal—aloha shirts for the men and muumuus or Bermuda shorts for the girls. The group also has bridge parties.

Bob and Nancy are members of the Hilo Yacht Club which, oddly enough, doesn't boast a single yacht, or even a harbor. Nancy thinks it's funny. "We take the children there to swim in the pool," she explains.

Bob is a member of the Hawaii County Bar Association, on the board of directors of the Red Cross chapter in Hilo, and a member of a Stock Club that pools funds to invest in the stock market. His chief hobby, however, is dogs. He has two German shepherds which have been entered in obedience trials in Honolulu.

Nancy belongs to the Hilo Woman's Club. Their latest project was to decorate all the parking meters downtown with flowerpots loaded with anthuriums or orchids.

"There is plenty of community work available in Hilo if you have the time to do it," she says. "So far, the children have kept me busy."

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Move to Hawaii *Continued*

Nancy has only two complaints about their adopted home. One is the cost of going shopping in Honolulu. In Hawaii, planes take the place of highways. While Hilo is only one hour from Honolulu by air, with over a dozen flights daily, a round trip ticket costs about $40 per person.

Nancy's second complaint: "I think it's sad that the grandmothers are so far away."

In Short Hills, New Jersey, twenty miles outside of Newark, John and Janet Powers used to count the months until June when bathing suits and beach towels replaced gloves and overcoats for themselves and their five children ranging in age from six months to six years.

But even then, it was a drive of an hour and a half over heavily traveled highways to the nearest beach.

Last Christmas, the family went swimming three blocks from their new home in Kailua, a thriving Oahu community of 25,000 population, just half an hour's drive from downtown Honolulu.

Now, after a year in Hawaii, th Powers are completely sold o their new home. One reason their addiction to the outdoor Janet is an avid beachnik. Joh skin dives and has taken up surfin He also likes to hunt. All of thes sports are available on a yea around basis in the Island State.

"So many of the activities w like are free here," says Jane "In New Jersey when you go t the beach, you pay. Here yo never do. There, when you g camping, you're charged to get i to a designated area. Here yo camp anywhere. Free!"

She adds, "This is the greate place on earth to raise childre Ours haven't had a cold since w arrived. But we found the oth children here were ahead in schoo After some hard work, our kids a catching up."

In spite of his obvious satisfactio with his new home, John Powe does not recommend coming Hawaii "cold" as he did—with r friends and no job in sight.

"We spent $1,009 on plane fa and another $800 shipping linen silverware, small appliances, ligh clothing, and a few pieces of furn ture. I had enough money left

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"I wanted to get back into insurance, but jobs are scarce. Employers are slow to hire somebody fresh from the Mainland. They have to be convinced you're going to stay in Hawaii. I pounded the pavements for a month and then, to keep some money coming in, I took a job as bartender in a restaurant in Waikiki.

"Three months later, a job opened up as salesman in the insurance division of American Factors, one of Honolulu's so-called 'Big Five' firms. Meanwhile, we found another house in our neighborhood. This one has three bedrooms and rents for only $125 a month.

"Now the worst is over. I can see a lot of future here. The challenge of the new state is exciting. We are looking forward to growing with Hawaii."



The John Powers family overcame two initial problems—no friends in Hawaii, and no ready job.

Janet has a few misgivings about her adopted home. The bugs and lizards, for example. And the lack of road signs. "You can't find anything," she complains. On the other hand, she finds the absence of billboards on highways in Hawaii a refreshing change.

John was surprised by the formality of dress among downtown Honolulu businessmen. "They dress more conservatively here than on Wall Street. All I ever wear to work now is a blue suit, string tie, and black shoes."

At home Janet does her housework in bare feet and shorts or a muumuu (Hawaii's loose-fitting, colorful dress). The kids have hardly worn shoes since they came to the Islands.

The Powers figure that food prices in Kailua are 25 to 30 per cent higher than in Short Hills. "But," says John, "I'd say the saving in heat, winter clothing, and doctor bills makes up for the high cost of food."

John seems to have found his greatest satisfaction in the people he works with. "With them you can't have a chip on your shoulder," he says.

"Everybody here is friendly. If you're not, you just don't fit."

The movement of families from the other 49 states and Canada to Hawaii has been steady over the years. But it is still relatively small—fewer than 1,000 persons a month. California gets more new citizens than that every day.

The barrier which stems the flow to Hawaii is 2,000 miles of ocean. You can't pile the family into the car and drive to Hawaii.

In addition, costs are high because nearly everything for sale in the stores has been shipped in. A scarcity of land and a recent speculative boom have pushed real estate prices up and up. And in a state with 600,000 population, there are only a limited number of new jobs.

In spite of it all, people keep coming, and Hawaii keeps growing.

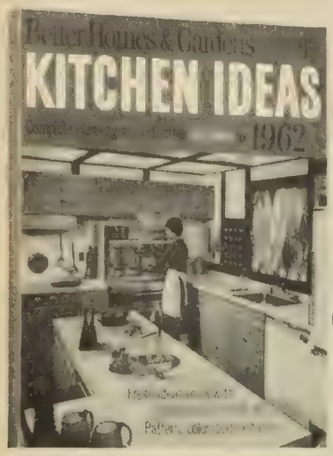
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Yet it is difficult to find a person who has come to Hawaii simply to take advantage of the boom. There is always another reason for living in the Islands . . . the lure of a balmy climate, the challenge of pioneering in a new state, the charm of Hawaii's many races, or perhaps, simply the beauty of the rainbows. And *those* things Hawaii certainly does have.

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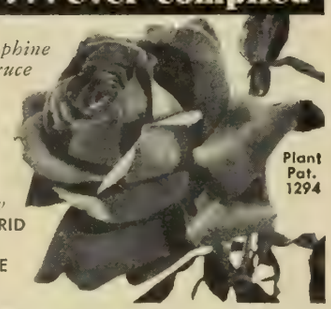
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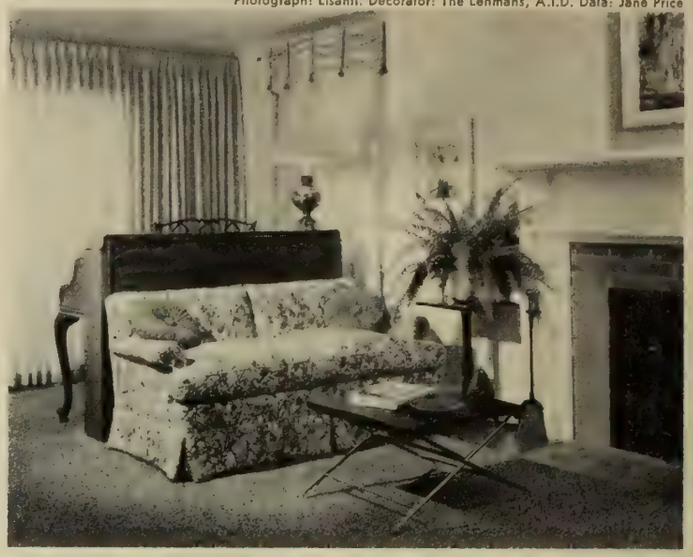
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Hints to help you

Corn favorites. What's your specialty with corn, on or off the cob? Bet you serve seasoned butter with roasting ears from grill or oven. Or, do you cook corn in a kettle? How long? Any unusual way? Tell us about a casserole, bread, salad, or soup using fresh, frozen, or canned corn.

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corn relish
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corn fritters
succotash
squaw corn
corn stuffing

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(*See recipes on pages 85 and 86*)

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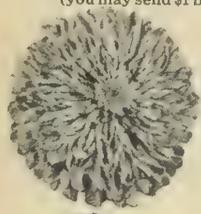
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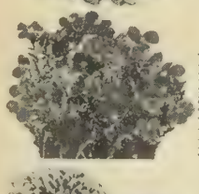
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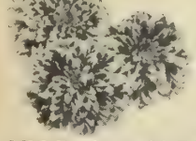
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"The wonder of it all is that this scholarship plan asks each of us to contribute just one dollar a year," says the originator of the idea, Dr. Irving A. Fradkin of Fall River. His project, known as the Citizens Scholarship Foundation, is designed to create wider educational opportunities in the United States through *local action*—without resorting to any form of government aid.

The first community to adopt the plan was Doctor Fradkin's own Fall River—a Massachusetts city of just under 100,000 people, famed in former days for the Old Fall River Line, Lizzie Borden, and for its more than 100 textile mills.

Although the people of Fall River come from diverse racial, religious, and economic backgrounds, they immediately grasped the simplicity and workability of the new scholarship idea. The fund-raising drive was a smashing success. In its initial year, 1958, the Citizens Scholarship Foundation of Greater Fall River raised $4,500 to provide 24 scholarships for youngsters with such varied names as Avramides, Cipollini, Wadsworth, Santos, O'Neil, and Cwiklik.

Today, the scholarship foundation idea has spread far beyond Fall River. Other communities have taken up the program in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Kansas, Michigan, Louisiana, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Minnesota. Plans are under way to establish new chapters in Iowa, Ohio, California, Florida, Georgia, New York, Delaware, and Connecticut. In many cases, local civic organizations are taking advantage of this golden opportunity to sponsor a cause that is both worthy and highly successful.

Last spring, existing chapters awarded 400 scholarships from a total collection of between $100,000 and $125,000. (The scholarships ranged in size from $250 to $1,300.) Doctor Fradkin believes that 1962 will see well over 1,500 scholarships awarded from about $500,000; he predicts that within ten years the funds available across the nation will total many millions of dollars.

Briefly, here's how the local foundations work.

They must be nonsalaried, nonprofit organizations, led by responsible citizens who have an abiding interest in the future of their community and nation. These men and women begin at the local level by meeting with their friends and neighbors, explaining the Foundation's goals.

Once the campaign is launched, each person in the community is asked to contribute a one-dollar membership for that year. Fraternal, business, civic, and educational organizations are urged to take $100 annual memberships; scholarships are then awarded in each group's name.

Unlike many other fund-raising programs, the Citizens Scholarship Foundation has no high promotion costs to divert dollars from the main purpose—scholarships. The only money that leaves the community is a $50 annual Foundation dues to help defray national publicity and mailing costs.

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citizens, who select students on the basis of need, scholastic achievement, unusual family circumstances, leadership potential, and initiative. Applications are coded to eliminate any possibility of favoritism.

Youngsters who receive the scholarships are asked to repay them wholly or partly, if they can do so, in later years. While there is no legal obligation to repay, the scholarship fund in a community can grow most vigorously if much of the money is returned and used for still more scholarships for other students. (No interest is asked, however.)

The dream of the Citizens Scholarship Foundation is to create a vast revolving fund, supporting a growing number of scholarships of increasing size. Judging by the experience of newly formed chapters, once a community accepts the idea, it never slows down.

And acceptance is coming fast.

In January, 1961, the national Citizens Scholarship Foundation of America was launched. At that time, humorist and former teacher Sam Levenson became honorary president; Doctor Fradkin is the working president. Neither man receives any compensation from the Foundation.

Enthusiastic approval of the Foundation's aims quickly came from President Kennedy, former President Eisenhower, and from many national educational leaders. High-school teachers also praised the idea when it was introduced in their communities; the far-reaching scholarship plan has helped renew the enthusiasm of their students toward obtaining a higher education.

What experience have other American communities had with Citizens Scholarship Foundations?

Well, in its first year of operation, the Warren, Massachusetts, Foundation hoped to get $500 in contributions. Instead, the population of 3,500 responded with $2,500. About 100 miles away, another Warren (Rhode Island) held a benefit concert—its first ever—and collected $4,600. In Claremont, New Hampshire, the Citizens Scholarship Foundation raised almost $6,000 in its first month of operation.

The young people themselves have responded eagerly, too. A Fall River "youth branch" of the Foundation held dances and cake sales, and set up voluntary "toll booths" on the city's main highways. Westerly, Rhode Island, teen-agers ran a bridge party for adults and (for half the gross sales) operated a dress shop for a day. In Barrington, Rhode Island, 250 youngsters rang more than 4,000 doorbells to collect thousands of dollars.

Citizens Scholarship Foundations never are formed to compete with existing scholarship programs; they supplement the excellent work already being done by other groups. In several cases, the Foundation has actually become a community's scholarship co-ordinating center—eliminating any chance of overlapping among the various awards.

Better Homes & Gardens considers this fast-growing "Fall River Plan" to be the most important scholarship idea yet developed. In co-operation with the Citizens Scholarship Foundation of America, we have prepared a brochure on how you can start a chapter in your own community. For a free copy, write to Department CSF, "Action in Education," Better Homes & Gardens, Des Moines 3, Iowa.

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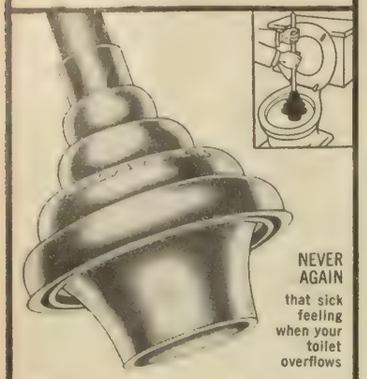


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By Ann Usher

You may smile understandingly at the sight and sound of someone else's youngster in a screaming, stamping rage. But there's very little funny about it if the child happens to be yours. If guests are present, or you're out in public, embarrassment adds to the tension.

A tantrum is triggered by the child's discovery that he can't do, or have, something he wants. The background cause may be illness, tiredness, hunger, too many unnecessary frustrations, or sometimes a parent whose own temper explodes frequently.

The best treatment is to ignore the behavior—if you can. If you're where this is impossible, firmly remove him from the scene. Never let him get his way by such an outburst.

Sometimes tantrum-causing situations can be prevented. Here are ways to head them off, and to handle them if they do occur:

When you have guests

Randy has been such a good boy. He helped you get ready for your dinner party. He talked about how he would say "hello" to the guests and pass the appetizers. He did these things nicely, and your guests praised him. But when Dad said it was time for Randy to go to bed, the little boy roared his refusal. He then threw himself on the floor, kicking and yelling.

How to prevent—Rehearse Randy ahead of time. Be sure he understands that when Dad announces his bedtime, he should shake hands with each guest, say "goodnight," and go with you to get ready for bed. This way, his leaving the party doesn't come as a surprise to him, and the chance of rebellion is less.

What to do now—It's too late now to prepare Randy, and you can't give in and let him stay up. He'd decide making scenes is the way to get what he wants all the time. And spanking him will only make things worse.

Simply pick him up, tell the guests "goodnight" for him, and take him to his room. Observe his usual bedtime routine; don't scold him for his tantrum; cuddle him a little to let him know you're still friends. Recognize that he was disappointed and has not yet learned to accept disappointments.

When you're out in public

This is when a temper tantrum is really exasperating! You don't want Timmy to have the candy he's demanding. You can't ignore him. You can't isolate him. And you want to finish your shopping before going home. Timmy's shrieks get louder and louder.

How to prevent—Plan your shopping for times when your boy or girl will not be tired or hungry; and don't do a great deal of shopping when he's with you. List in advance the items you want and where to find them.

If your youngster never finds temper outbursts profitable, they should grow less and less frequent from age 2 on.

What to do now—Remove Timmy from the candy display even if you have to pick him up around the waist and carry him under your arm like a football. If he continues to cry and kick, ignore him until he stops. The other people? Don't worry about them. They've probably been through it themselves.

When it's a family affair

At dinner, ten-year-old Julie suddenly brings up the subject of a poodle puppy. Pointing out that Julie already has two Siamese cats, a tank of tropical fish, and a couple of prolific hamsters in the basement only adds fuel to the fire! Rob makes things worse by commenting that he had to clean her old fish tank for her last time because she was too busy. Great salty tears drip into her soup and she brands you in a loud voice as the cruelest family on the face of the earth. Dad, who's tired out from his long working day, threatens to cut down on the existing quantity of livestock, if she doesn't stop this nonsense. She runs howling from the table, slams her bedroom door and continues to sob into her pillow.

How to prevent—Remember Julie's not ten years old, she's ten years young! She hasn't learned the techniques of putting across a point, laying the groundwork for acquiring such an important possession as a puppy. If your usually agreeable child starts "flaring up" at the family, there may be too many pressures at home or at her school, too many refusals of reasonable requests; or there may be conflicts of authority if there are several grownups in the home. The youngster may feel that a brother or sister is favored over her.

She may be ill or fatigued. Or more important, perhaps she's being left out of a crowd she admires. Right from the start, try not to let the argument get out of hand. Remind her of what she already has. Or bring up that delightful weekend you're planning in the not-too-distant future. There's a lot to be said for being an "artful dodger" in a conversational way.

Suggest to the other members of the family that it is best that you, the parents, be the only ones to decide matters concerning your children, that they should tell you privately—not in front of the other children—any opinion they may have on the question.

What to do now—Ask the family to go on with their dinners. And eat yours, if you can. Don't interrupt Julie's solitary grief. A good cry will make her more amenable to reason, and a little later you'll probably be able to ferret out what's really bothering her. Don't continue to discuss the sore subject at the table, and don't reverse your decision because of the tears. However, don't be so harsh as to banish the other household pets because of Julie's outburst!

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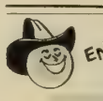
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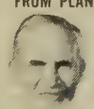
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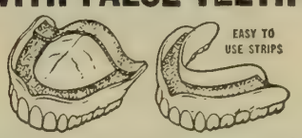

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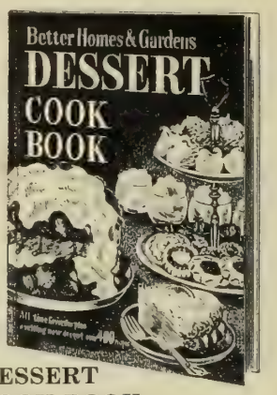
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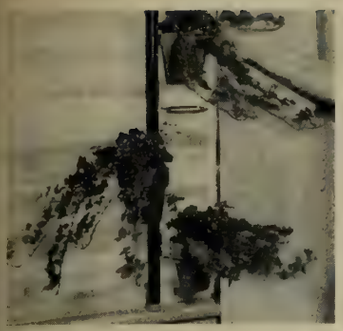
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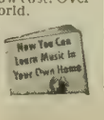


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Christine and I enjoyed chaperoning some of the college set's holiday activities, but now the bright young visitors have scattered to their various campuses. This morning, over breakfast coffee, I suddenly realized there is no one left to call me "sir."

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Nick Hanfli, our able and courageous Congressman, always gets my vote, even though we belong to different parties. He says I want him in Washington so he can't win my money at gin rummy—but I tell him that can't be it, because he and his pals are getting it all in taxes anyway.

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Grandpa Hillis loves to talk with his bubbling granddaughter, Rosemary. He calls her Madam Ambassador from Teendom, and says he sometimes gets the impression she could speak English if she tried.



"Nothing too comfortable . . . it's for a guest room."

After I commented on the size of the grocery bill, Chris said I should be grateful that the turtles are hibernating. For a moment, I thought her feminine logic had become unhinged, but she continued: "That leaves, counting dogs, cats, fish and children, only thirteen mouths to feed."

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Bill Norman spent so many years moving from place to place that only Chuck, the youngest of his five children, was born here in our town. Chuck delights in superciliously referring to his older brothers and sisters as foreigners.

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Our pleasant and uneventful weather since Christmas has been a great disappointment to Burton, Jr., who got a sled, and to his father, who got a barometer.

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A few of us decided in a spontaneous meeting the other morning that our old monstrosity of a City Hall had better be torn down and replaced right now. In a few years it will be historic, and we will be stuck with it for all time.

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A story making the rounds at the office has tickled quite a few of us. Seems Charlie Ames began his 2,000-mile cross-country vacation trip last summer by driving to the gas station at the edge of town and asking the attendant, "Which way to Denver?"

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The girls in our office think Eunice Peabody is the most likely to keep her job in spite of automation. They doubt that science will ever develop a machine that giggles, takes up wedding collections, and complains about drafts.

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So many of our friends are away on winter vacation that our home has become a horticultural boarding house. Christine is watering eight strange plants. "What a career," she says. "A baby sitter for aspidistras!"

Frank Leffler, who is an attorney and ought to know, amazes me with the news that there is no law, federal or state, against serving apple pie without a piece of cheese.

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The family gave me a spiffy sports coat for Christmas, but I still insist I'm not old enough yet to wear youthful clothes.

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Across the room, Rosemary is all knees and elbows—an abstract composition, "Teen-ager with Telephone." Suddenly, for no reason at all, a flood of memory brings me back to that stifling August day in the forlorn little town where I was pursuing the equally forlorn hope of a job. It was that day I called the hospital and learned Rosemary had arrived. She was early, for the first and only time in her life.

Burt is on the sofa, absorbed in his most prized Christmas gift, "Reptiles of North America." How old was he—not much more than 3—when he saw his first snake in the back yard of the old place on Oak Street? It was love at first sight.

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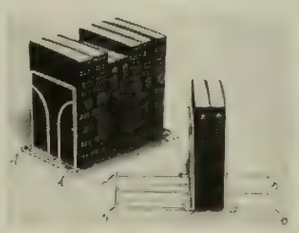
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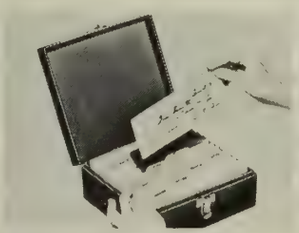
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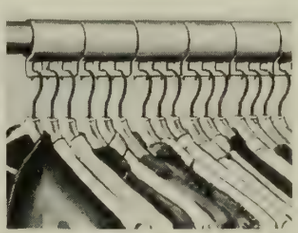
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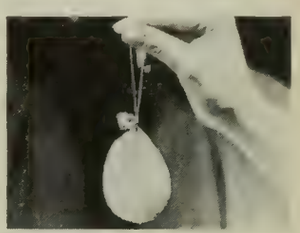
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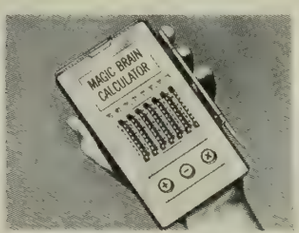
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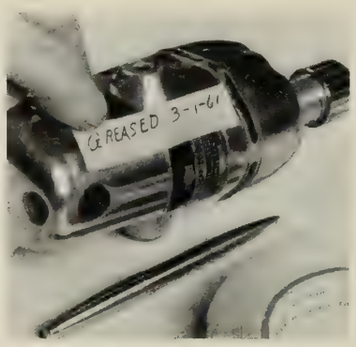
This month our whole Ideas in Action section is filled with page after page of tips and ideas to help you with maintenance jobs and projects around your house. Those tiresome fix-its become a breeze, and major projects get to be fun when you know how to use tools properly. We'll tell you how to get around those shop pitfalls that turn good lumber into so much kindling and your disposition into something that scares your wife and kids. As a starter, here are seven good ideas for any kind of workshop.



Rub a candle over the teeth of your file to keep it from becoming clogged when filing aluminum or other soft material. When the job is finished, melt the wax to clean the file.



A paper cup makes a handy jig for holding two or more wires when soldering them together. Cut a half-inch slit in the lip of the cup for each wire. This way, both hands are left free to hold the solder and iron.



Remind yourself to lubricate your power tools by tagging them with the date of the last lubrication, or, if you prefer, when the next lube job is due.



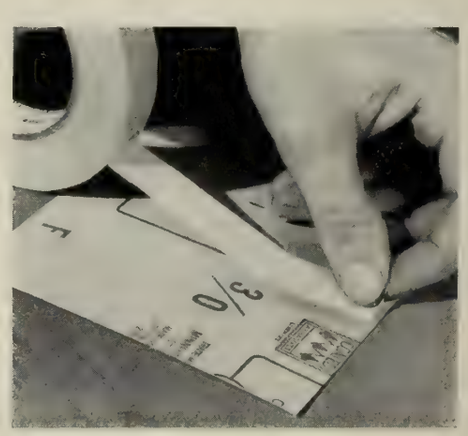
Make a contour sanding block from a pack of playing cards for sanding moldings and other irregular surfaces. Wrap the paper around the cards, press the edge against the molding.



Use a rat-tail file to enlarge holes a little when you don't have a drill bit big enough for the job. Chuck the tang of the file in a brace and rotate it counter-clockwise with a light pressure until the hole is the size you want it.



To make this handy tool oiler, roll up a strip of carpeting and put it in a small tin can. Make sure the carpeting is wide enough to stick up above the top of the can a little. Soak in light oil and cover with a larger can when not in use.



Back up your sandpaper with masking tape to keep it from creasing or tearing. It will last three times as long this way, especially if you are sanding "freehand" without a sanding block on contoured surfaces.

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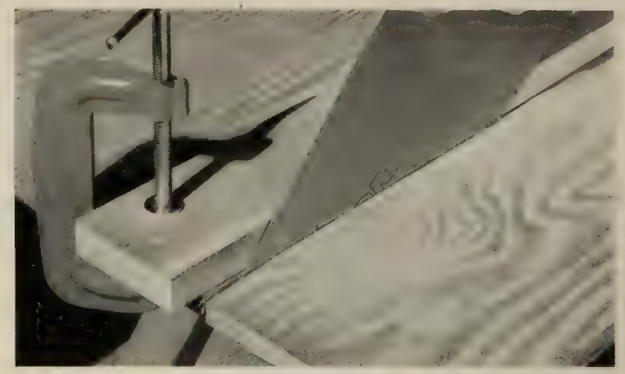
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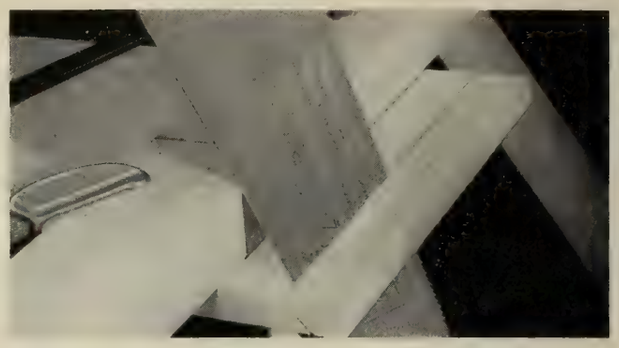
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Make that handsaw work for you



Have trouble sawing a straight line with your handsaw? Clamp a board "fence" to the wood you're cutting to act as a guide. Make sure you use a straight board, free from warp. Make the cut so the saw teeth barely scratch the edge of the fence.



You can cut a fairly accurate bevel using a handsaw with the help of a 2x4 fence. Draw the angle on the edge of the board, then, using the saw blade as a straight edge, position the 2x4 as shown and clamp in place to guide your cut.



Sometimes, when ripping warped lumber or a floppy piece of plywood, the saw kerf springs shut and binds the saw blade in the cut. When this happens, just jam a nail into the kerf to keep it open as you complete the cut.



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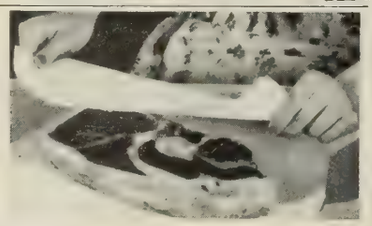
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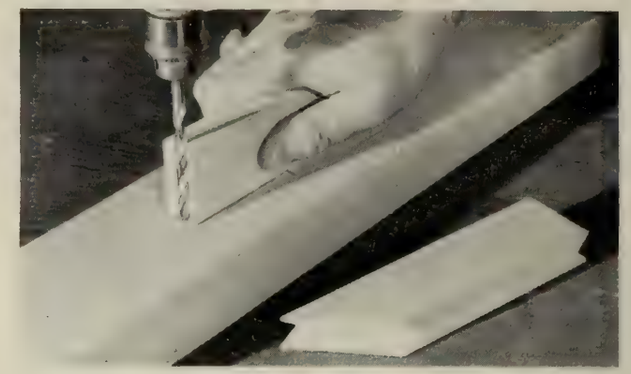
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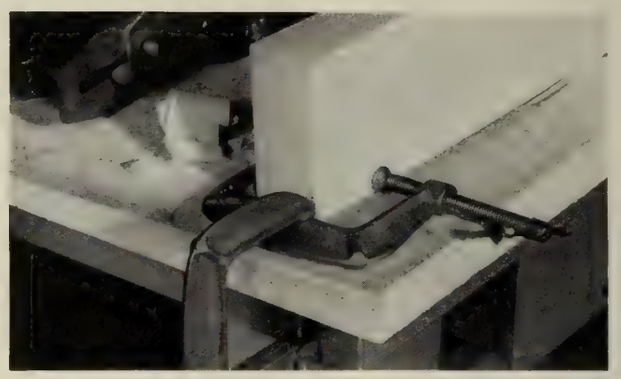
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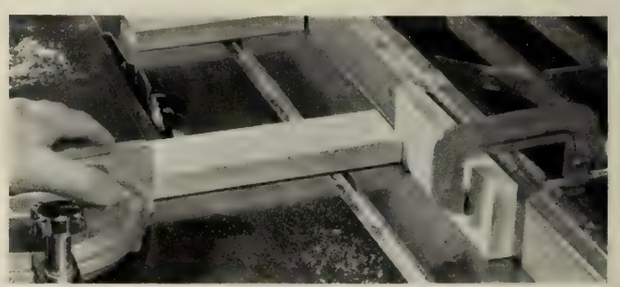
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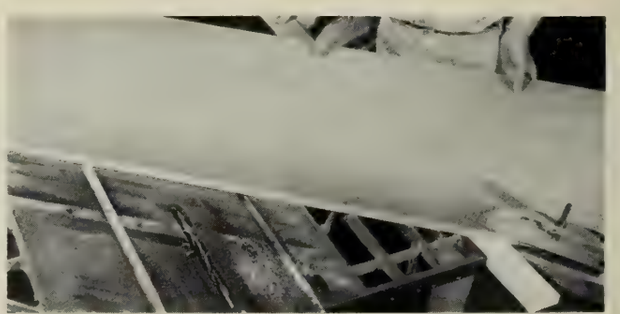
To drill holes that are exactly perpendicular or at any other given angle, use the simple jig shown here. Cut a V groove in the end of a short piece of wood and hold the drill bit in the groove to start the hole properly.



You can improvise a very serviceable vise using two clamps as shown here. Make sure the clamp that holds the work hangs out over the edge of the bench so you can turn it easily. Two parallel wood clamps used this way work well, too.



Use this jig on your table saw when cutting several short pieces of the same length. Clamp a scrap of wood to the fence, then adjust the fence to the proper distance from the blade. Make sure the work clears the scrap before engaging the blade.



Here's a way to saw a large piece of plywood at an angle. Clamp a board on the underside of the plywood to ride against the edge of the saw table. Be sure to keep the board pressed firmly against the edge of the table as you make the cut.



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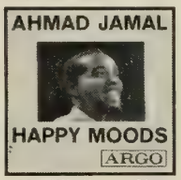
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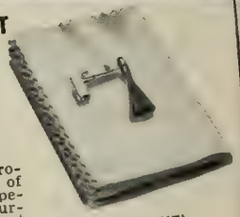
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77. Take Five, Three to Get Ready, Everybody's Jumpin', etc.



47. One Mint Julep, Rib Joint, Mangos, Pink Lady, 7 more



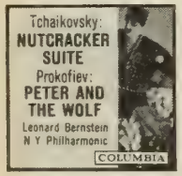
45. Also: The Third Man Theme, Rumble, Honky-Tonk, etc.



110. "Ormandy has wrought a small miracle"—HiFi Review



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36. Taking A Chance on Love, South of the Border, 10 more



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6. Also: Malaguena, Sabre Dance, Perfidia, Mam'selle, etc.



60. "Best new comedian of the decade" —Playboy Magazine



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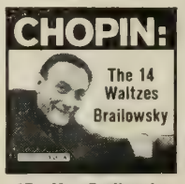
107. "Probably the finest dramatic soprano"—Time



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89. Fandangos, Sevillanas, Alegrias, Tanguillos, 8 more



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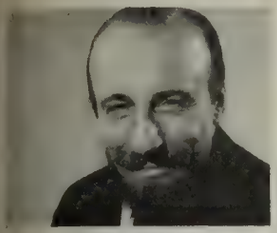


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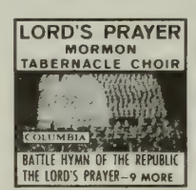
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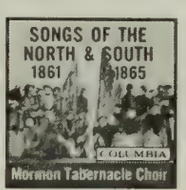
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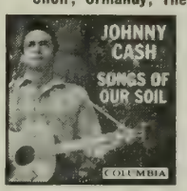
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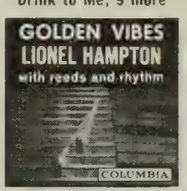
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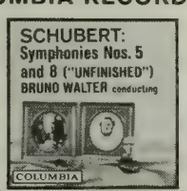
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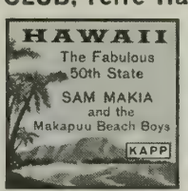
23. Just Because, I Walk the Line, Jealous Heart, 9 more



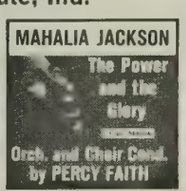
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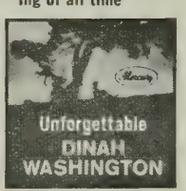
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44. King Kamehameha, Blue Hawaii, Across the Sea, 9 more



29. Onward Christian Soldiers, Rock of Ages, 12 in all



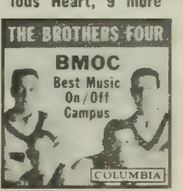
15. When I Fall in Love, I Understand, Song is Ended, etc.



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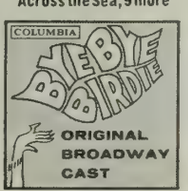
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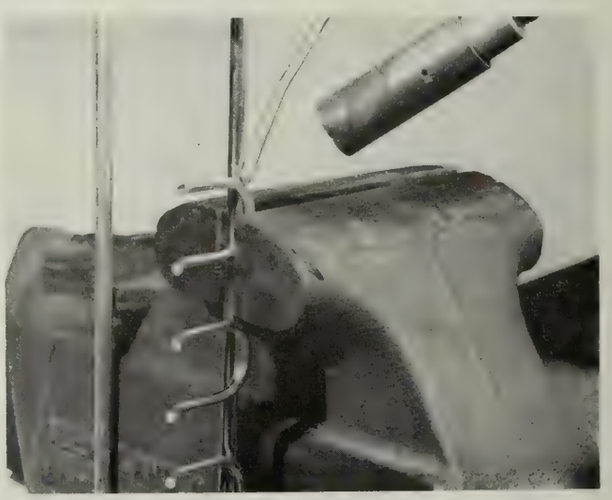
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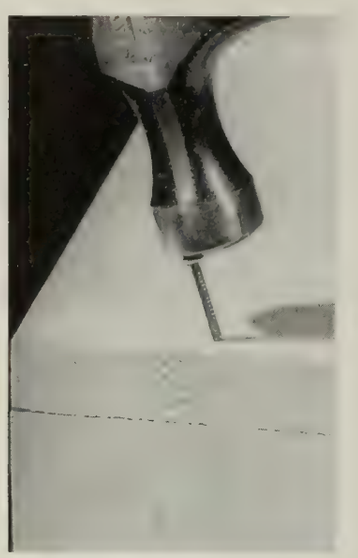
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Do you really know how to drive a nail?



Can't drive a nail straight? So much the better. Nails hold tighter if you drive them at an angle.

As you drive the nails into a joint, angle each one the opposite direction from the last one.

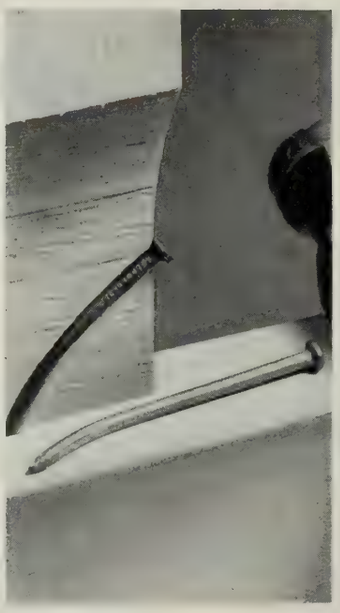
This way the nails lock into the wood to make a much firmer joint. You'll bend fewer nails if you drive them this way, too.



When you drive nails close to the end of a board, the board often splits, as shown here.

To keep this from happening, blunt the nail point a little with your hammer. A couple of light taps will do the job.

Now, when you drive the nail it will punch out a hole for itself instead of spreading the wood fibers apart, causing a split. Try it next time. It really works.



To make a stronger toe-nailed joint, bend the nail a little before you drive it. As it goes in, the nail will curve, as shown in the cut away, which makes it hold better than if driven straight in.

Hold the nail point down on a hard surface at about a 45-degree angle and tap near the point with your hammer a few times to make the bend. Don't bend too much – it will bend more as you drive it.



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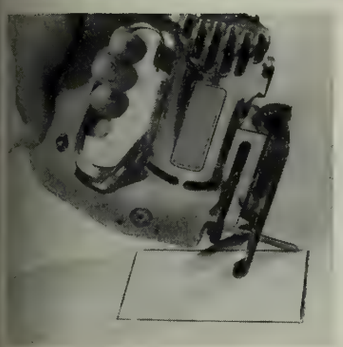
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Five jobs for a saber saw



Cutting 2x4s with a portable saber saw is fairly slow, but it's faster than doing it with a handsaw—and easier on you.

Make a guide fence to insure a square cut. Nail two short pieces of wood at right angles, hold this "T" so that one piece of wood is against the edge of the 2x4. The base of the saw rides against the other piece as you make the cut.



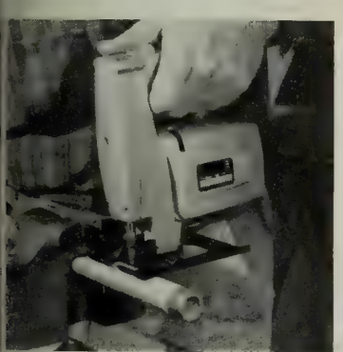
Pocket cuts with a saber saw are very easy. Just tip the saw forward as shown, then ease it down slowly but firmly into the wood as the blade cuts through.

Don't let up on the pressure or the blade might break. Also avoid rocking the saw sideways.



Some saber saws have an auxiliary rip fence that also acts as a circle cutting jig, as shown. If yours doesn't, you can fasten a piece of hardboard to the saw base and drill holes at the proper radius distance for the circle you want.

Using a hollow-ground blade, you get disks that need little or no sanding.



A metal cutting blade in your saber saw lets you zip through iron or copper pipe, sheet metal too thick to cut with tin snips, and many other metal cutting jobs.

A metal cutting blade is rather brittle, so be careful not to twist it as you cut. Rocking the saw back and forth sometimes helps in cutting pipe.



Your saber saw will cut a perfectly straight line in plywood, too, if you use a board fence to guide it.

When you clamp on the board fence, leave enough sticking out of the side nearest you so that the foot of the saw will be guided as you start the cut.

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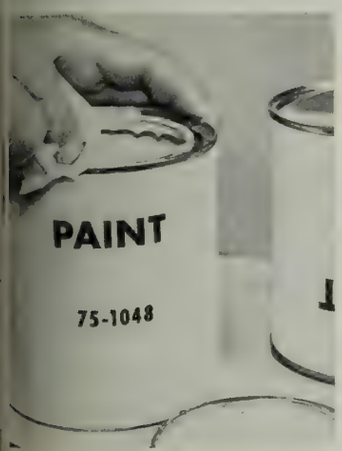
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Save time, mess, and money with these paint tips



Save aluminum foil pie plates to use when you have those little touch-up paint jobs. A little paint poured into one of these plates is easy to carry around, and is not as likely to get spilled.

When the job is finished, bend a spout to pour the remaining paint back into the can, then you can just toss the plate away.



Here's the best way to reseal a can of paint. Wipe all the paint you can out of the cover groove with a rag or paper towel. Put the cover in place, drop a rag over it. Then put the can on the floor and step on the lid to force it on.

Turn the can over for a few minutes so the paint inside will make an airtight seal at the lid.



Touch-up paint jobs go undone because of all the mess involved in getting ready and cleaning up.

A good way to get all the touch-ups done while you have the paint out is to keep a memo on the can showing everything that's painted with that particular color.

Check each item when painting, touching up as necessary.



White shellac will discolor and deteriorate if kept in the metal can it comes in. Store it in a glass jar instead.

Leave the paper insert in the jar lid, and rub a little petroleum jelly on the threads to keep it from sticking on the jar. This also helps keep out air, preventing a skin from forming.



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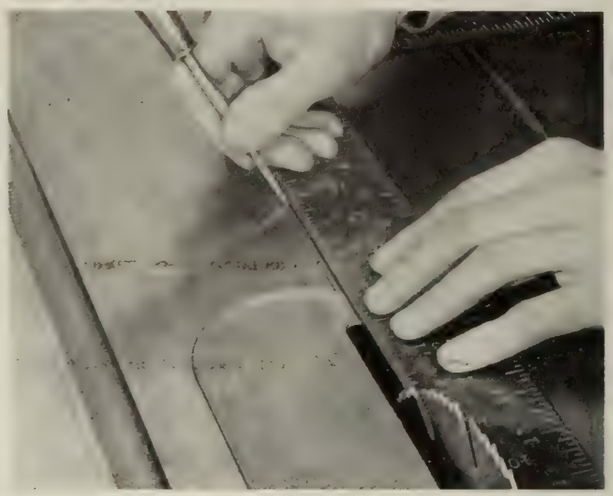
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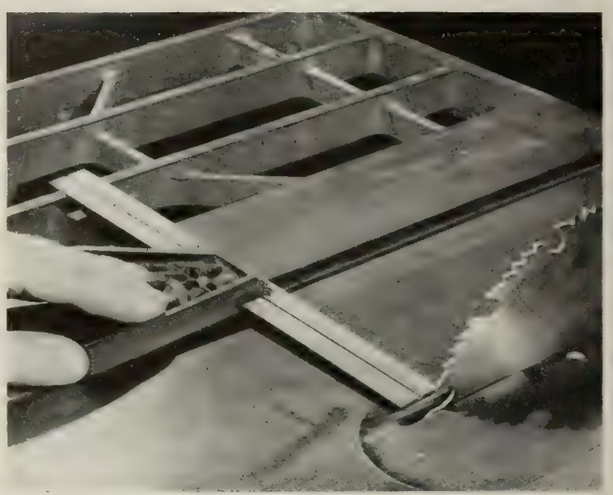
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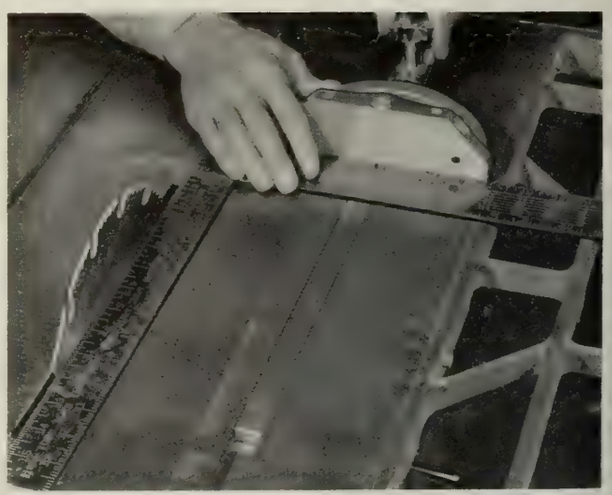
Whip your table saw into line



Mark the cutting line of the saw blade on your saw table so you can accurately line up pieces to be cut without making trial starts. Lay a straight edge against the blade and mark along it. Repeat on the other side of the blade.



Check to make sure saw blade is parallel with miter gauge slot. Use a combination square to measure at the front and rear of the blade. If the blade is out of alignment, loosen the bolts holding the table top in place and adjust.



Check your miter gauge, too, to make sure it is at right angles to the blade when it reads 90 degrees on the protractor scale. Use a framing square as shown, measuring between the raker teeth on the blade to insure accuracy.



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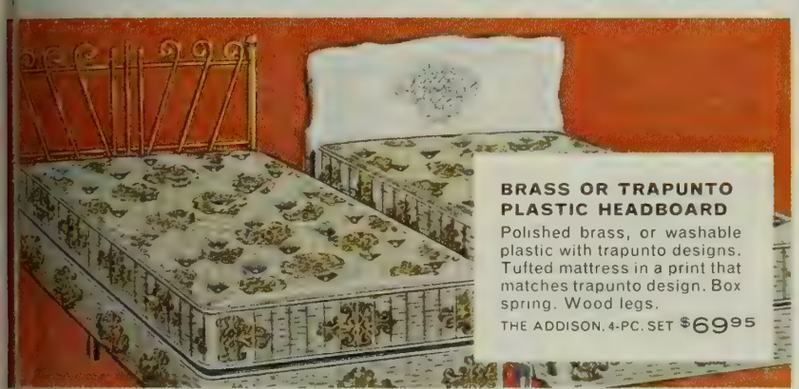
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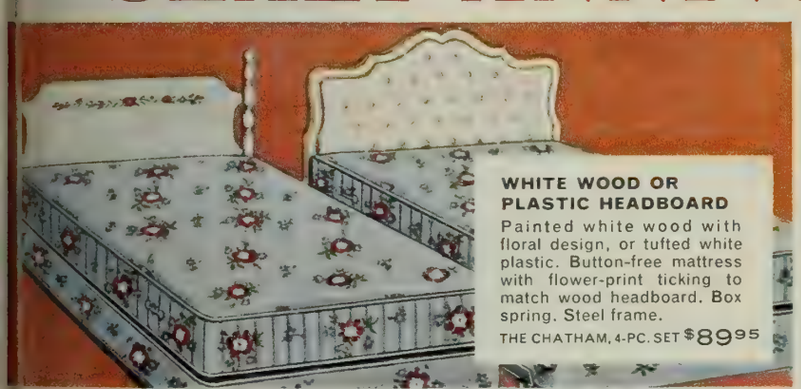


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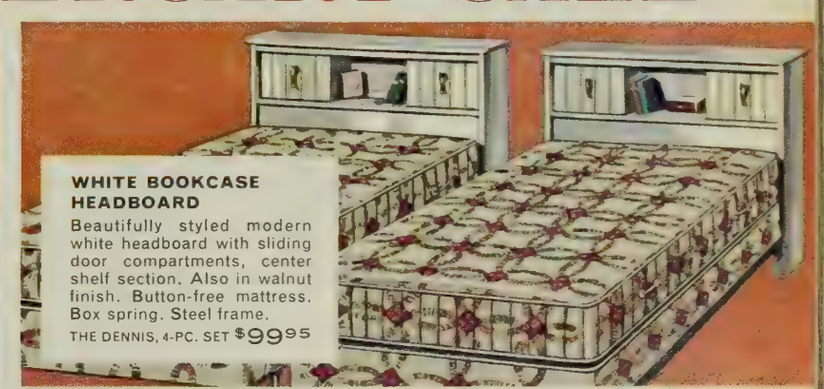


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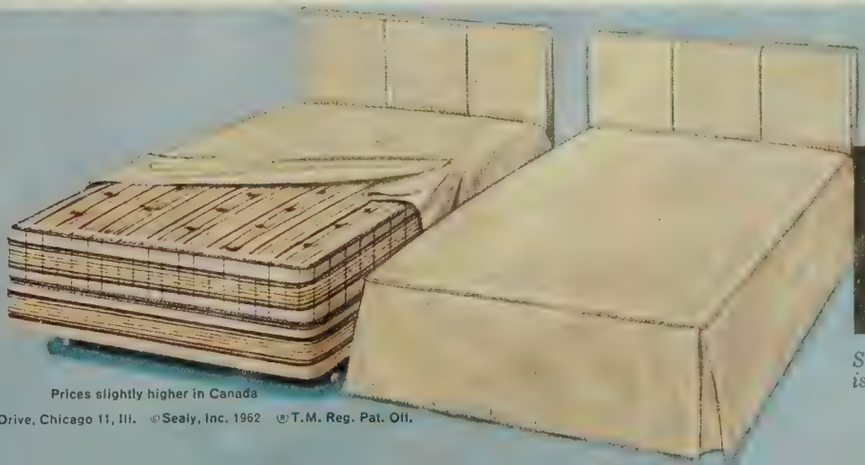
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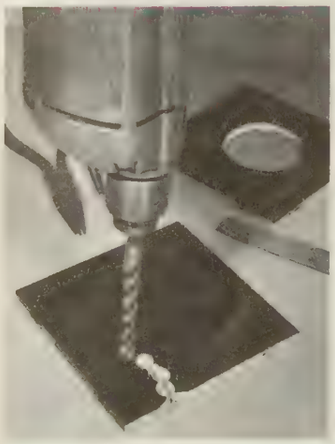
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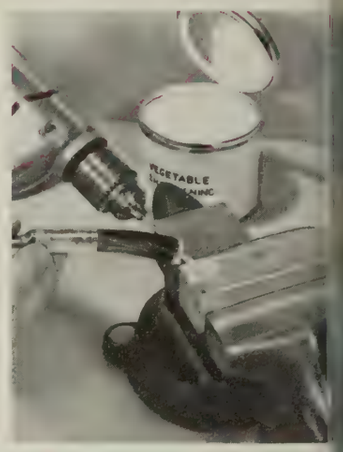


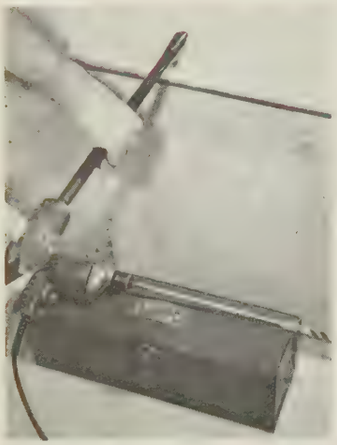
Cut faucet holes, sink and tub corners in ceramic tile with a carbide-tipped masonry drill, and you'll never break a tile.

To guide the drill, prick the glaze just inside the cutout contour with a center punch. Nibble between holes with pliers.

You can drill hard steel easier if the bit is lubricated and cooled. Vegetable shortening does a less messy job than oil.

Keep a small can and a paintbrush handy for applying. Keep drills sharp and pull out of the work often to clear chips.





Making large holes in concrete is easy this way; drill a lead hole with the largest carbide-tipped drill you have.

Now use a star drill and hammer to cut the hole to the desired diameter. The lead hole lets the star drill cut more easily.

Hardened steel will frequently yield to a drill if heated with a torch in the area to be drilled.

Heat until the spot is bluish in color, then let cool gradually. The metal will heat quicker if you keep it well away from the jaws of the vise.





It's not at all hard to drill holes in glass. Just chuck a piece of copper tubing in your drill and grind the holes through.

File a slight bevel on the tube, build a clay dam to hold water-thinned valve grinding compound. File or scratch a place to start.

Provide extra gripping for self-tapping metal screws in sheet metal. Make the holes with a center punch to give more surface for the threads to cut into as they're screwed in.

Start the holes with a small drill, enlarge with a punch. Back up metal with a block of wood.





A small finishing nail will drill small holes in hard, brittle materials, such as glass and china, using the abrasive setup shown above for drilling glass.

Chuck the nail point first in your drill. Cut the nailhead off and file it flat. Scratch a start with a sharp awl or punch.

Drill holes square and dead center with this simple jig made from a wood scrap. Lay out the "V" notch and the center line. Then drill a hole the proper size, being careful to get it perpendicular.

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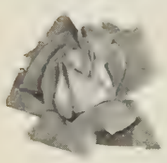
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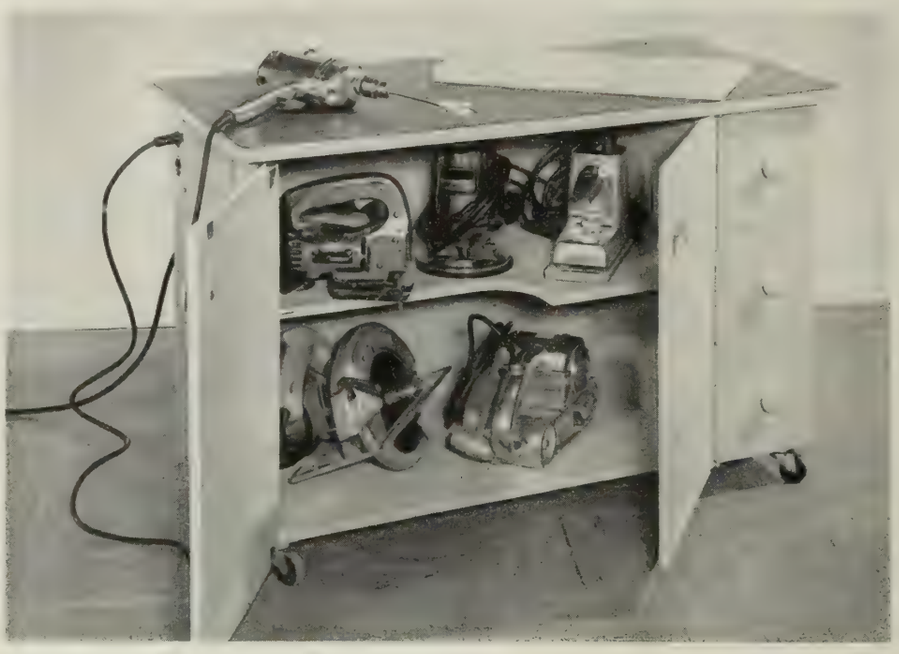
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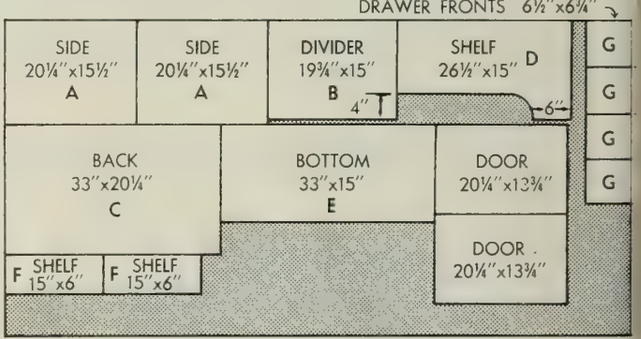
Here's an easy-to-build powerhouse for portable tools



This cabinet stores your tools behind doors, safe from dirt and grit. It also keeps sanding belts, extension cords, and other accessories always handy. Mounted on casters, the powerhouse rolls out of the way under a workbench or into a corner, comes out to make a work surface that's just the right height for working with portable tools.

Cut out the pieces for the cabinet as shown here from a sheet of ½-inch plywood. Besides these, you'll need a piece of ¾-inch plywood 18x36 inches for the top of the cabinet.

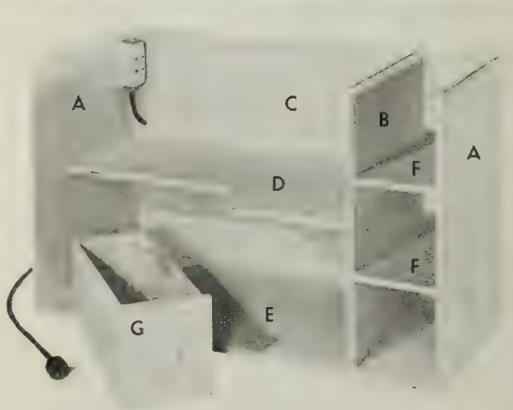
Also, you'll need ¼-inch plywood for drawers as follows: sides, 6 pieces, 6⅛x14½ inches; ends, 6 pieces, 5⅜x5⅞ inches; bottoms, 3 pieces 5⅜x14½ inches. Use 2-inch casters, one pair locking type, to complete your tool chest.





An outlet built into the cabinet provides a handy power source. Use 16-gauge 3-wire cord and a duplex grounded outlet.

Cut out the side of the box just big enough for the outlet. Run outlet screws through wood into connection box.



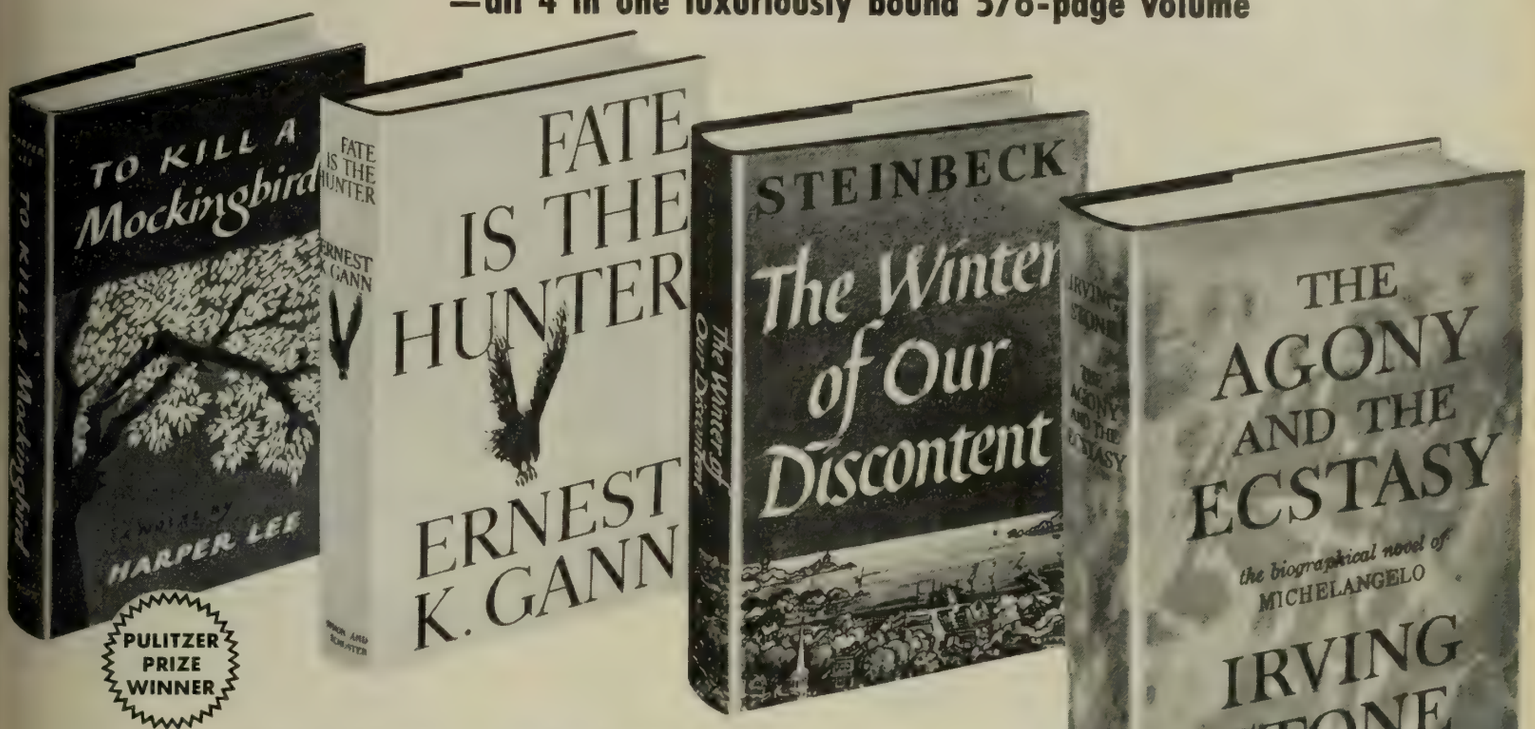
Here's the cabinet without the top and doors. Nail sides to the back, slide in bottom, and nail sides and back to it. Next, nail in shelves and divider. Top overlaps 1 inch all around.

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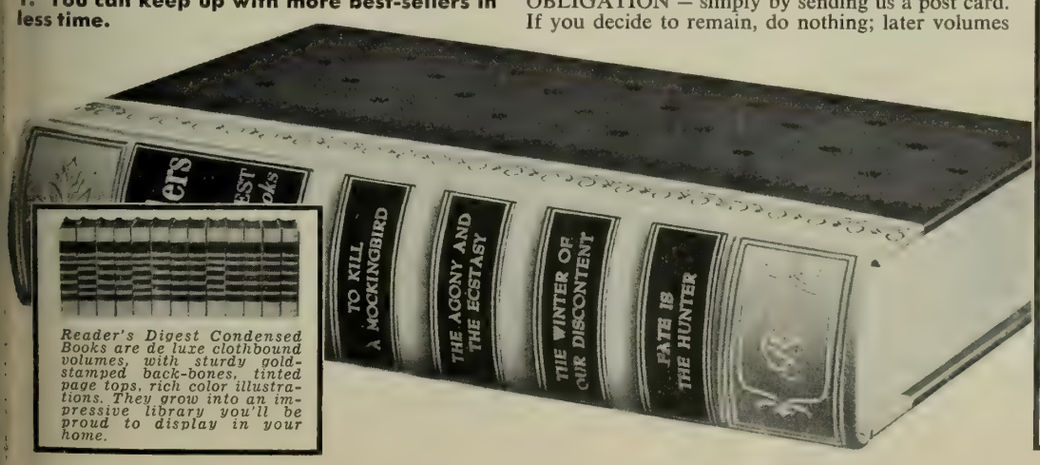
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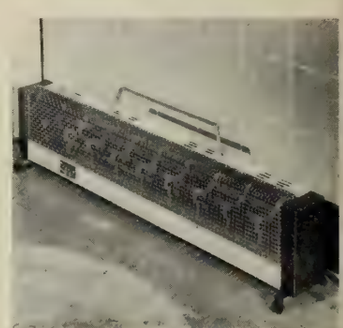
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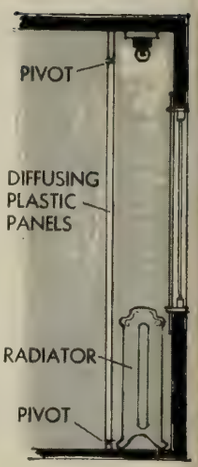
Decorative ways with tube lighting



This luminous wall creates a big-window effect—hides a too-small window and a radiator.

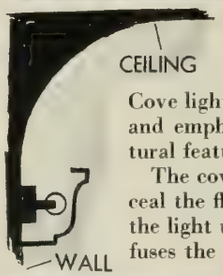
Since these fluorescent tubes are ceiling-hung, their brightness tapers off, just as sunlight diffuses through a window. The decorative panels, narrow sheets of diffusing plastic set in walnut frames, are mounted at the top and the bottom, on the metal pivots.

Each panel operates separately; you can easily adjust them for ventilation, cleaning.



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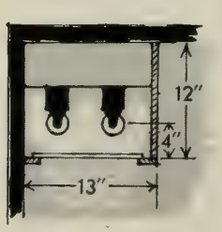


Cove lighting illuminates this entryway and emphasizes its handsome architectural feature, the cathedral ceiling.

The coves—metal rain gutters—conceal the fluorescent channels and direct the light upward. The white ceiling diffuses the brightness to an allover glow.

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Soffit lighting fills this room with light, making it seem more spacious than it really is. And this method of illumination keeps the background simple and suitable for the room's Oriental decoration.

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FAVORITE ROSES OF PEOPLE WHO KNOW ROSES

"With my busy schedule, I find early in the morning is the best time to work with my roses. The morning air has a freshness that invigorates me—and what better way to start off the day than in the garden? Among my favorite roses is the lovely yellow grandiflora, Golden Girl (right), which I have given a choice spot in front of my home. I'm a great believer in mulches. Not only do they conserve moisture, but they cut down on weeding time—leaving me free to enjoy the beauty of my roses.

I've had great success with the All-America Selections, such as the 1962 award winners shown here, John S. Armstrong (far left) and Golden Slippers (left), and King's Ransom and Christian Dior (both shown on the cover). Rose John S. Armstrong is a wonderful deep red grandiflora. This outstanding variety has clusters of 4-inch blooms on long stems, making them perfect for cutting. Golden Slippers is a floribunda with unusual coloration of the flowers—a brilliant orange-vermilion upper petal surface blending into a gold on the reverse side. The petals fold back delicately to reveal a rich yellow center.

This distinctive and fragrant variety is best used in low accenting borders or in colorful mass plantings. King's Ransom is a handsome, true chrome-yellow hybrid tea with exceptional nonfading qualities, long stems, and abundant double, high-centered blooms, 5-6 inches across in full flower. Christian Dior was developed in France, and has bright, crimson-red flowers, overlaid with a luminous scarlet. Each bloom holds its color throughout its life."

—Hamilton Mason, Garden Editor



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"Fragrance, color, and long-lasting qualities—those are the things I look for in a rose. For this year, I chose Golden Garnette (below). Here's a floribunda I think is tops. It is rich in fragrance, a deep golden yellow, and boasts the outstanding feature of the whole family of Garnette roses—plenty of long-lasting blooms. Another desirable trait of this rose is the size of the bush. It grows no higher than 1½ to 2 feet, making it an excellent border plant in my garden. Golden Garnette is really going to be popular wherever there is a need for fragrant cut roses.

Rose growing is really a challenge to me. I always provide my plants with that little extra attention that produces magnificent traffic-stopping blooms. Most important in the care of my roses is my anti-bug-and-disease campaign. For many years, I've been practicing preventive spraying and regular feeding—the result is long-stemmed, unblemished blooms all season long. And when it comes to cutting these beauties in my garden, I always have plenty of help from my wife, Thelma, who shares my love of growing roses.

Another of my favorites is the 1961 All-America award winner, Duet (left). I like the way the flowers hold their color and form no matter what the weather. It is a hybrid tea with two warm shades of pink in each bloom. The inner face of the petals is salmon-pink, and the outer side is a rich shade of near crimson. A really delightful combination of color to spark up my garden.
—Norvell Gillespie, Western Garden Field Editor

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FAVORITE ROSES OF PEOPLE WHO KNOW ROSES



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"If there was ever a gardener who liked to rearrange a rose bed, I sure am the one. I'm always eager to plant the newest varieties introduced. This gives me an ever-changing garden and a chance to display better my many older varieties. I like all roses—but especially the red kinds, such as the beautiful San Francisco (upper right). Of top importance in my rating is the careful selection and planting of roses. Always purchase grade number 1 plants from a dependable nurseryman—then you can hardly go wrong. Important, too, is to have a level bed, six or more hours of sun, good water drainage, fertile soil, and if possible, some wind protection.

Good planting technique is vital—I dig the holes two feet wide and deep. For each rose, I mix with my best garden soil three 1-pound coffee tins of peat moss and a handful of superphosphate. When setting the plants, I make a cone of this mix in the base of the hole, then spread the roots of the rose over the cone, add more soil mix, and water thoroughly to complete the job. This brings me the most success in getting roses started.

*For an exciting color in your garden, you won't want to overlook the new introduction, South Seas (lower right). Its fragrance, form, and color are reminiscent of the beauty of the South Seas. A hybrid tea, it boasts large, fully double, shell-pink blooms on an exceptionally vigorous, bushy, upright plant."—**Herbert Gundell, Central Garden Field Editor***

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FAVORITE ROSES OF PEOPLE WHO KNOW ROSES



Bill Hedrich, Hedrich-Blessing

"In my garden, there is always room for another rose, especially if it's as beautiful as this new introduction, Nobility (right). I selected this one for its shimmering shell-pink blooms. Not only is the color outstanding but the blooms are a magnificent 5-5½ inches in diameter. Another feature I like is its medium-tall, sturdy, upright growth. And the foliage is clean as a whistle.

I'm lucky, too, to have a wonderful husband. He's always ready and willing to help set out another plant. When I plant my new roses in the garden, I make sure the graft is at soil level, or slightly above. With potted roses, this is no problem; I set them at the same level they are growing in the containers. To give them an added boost, I water the plants in with a weak fertilizer solution. In the South, as in other regions, mulching is essential to reduce disease problems, conserve moisture, and keep soil cool.

Other special favorites of mine are old roses, such as the fragrant, ever-blooming climbing tea rose, Sombreuil (above), pictured at Hodges Gardens, Many, Louisiana. Sombreuil, dating back to 1851, produces double, flattened, creamy white blooms in spring. These old-timers should be planted more in the South as they are easy to grow and are adapted to the climate."

—Kitty Simpson, Southern Garden Field Editor



Hampson

"Over the years, I've come to enjoy roses more and more. And one of my favorites is the new hybrid tea, Avon (below). This outstanding variety has unfading, bright red blooms, backdropped by dark green foliage. And it really has fragrance, holding it from the time the blooms open until they fade away. What more could I ask for to bring out the best in my garden?

Growing roses in the North is a real challenge. You'll lose a few to the winter, despite your efforts. Hardy climbers need the least protection. In milder areas, simply tie the canes securely to a trellis to prevent chafing, but in colder regions, tie in a bundle, lay gently on the ground, then cover with soil. After ground freezes, mulch them heavily. Hybrid teas, polyanthas, and floribundas also demand protection—cover with soil, about 10 inches high. And after the soil is frozen, mulch heavily with marsh hay, dry leaves, or clean straw.

If you haven't tried miniature roses, you'll want to. At right is Dian, a pink-red in tree form. These and regular miniatures and climbers grow indoors or out."
—Peter Farb, Eastern Garden Field Editor



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A MAN'S
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WHAT MAKES A MAN FEEL AT HOME?

By Florence Byerly

THERE was a time when man-style furnishings were limited to the same old red-leather-and-wormy-chestnut look—but not any more. The emphasis today is on up-to-date smartness as well as solid comfort.

The rooms on these pages show you what we mean. Designed especially for men, they have that certain quality men go for. They all seem to say, "Sit down, prop up your feet, and just take it easy." What more could a man ask?

This living room, for instance, used to be all rose-beige and formal . . . and the men in the family avoided it. Mrs. Arthur Bowman, Jr. decided the cure would be decorating in a friendly, informal style. The marble mantel was removed, walls were papered to look like paneling, sofa and chairs were re-covered in soil-resistant fabric. Now the men consider it the best room in the house.

Decorator: George H. Hoffmann, A.I.D., Cincinnati, Ohio;
Photograph: Bill Hedrich, Hedrich-Blessing; Data: Polly Cramer




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A MAN'S KIND OF COMFORT

Photograph: Bill Hedrich, Hedrich-Blessing. Decorator: Betty Lotz, A.I.D., Winnetka, Illinois. Data: Jessie Walker



His name is Kelly! So Mrs. K. pleased him by locating a linen print with Irish coat-of-arms. For Scotchmen, there are tartan plaids. Choose the authentic family kilt and build your color scheme around it. For everyone from an archaeologist to a zither player, there are personality prints in fabrics or wallpapers. It takes just a little searching in decorating shops to find your print. You'll probably pay more for these limited editions, but just a few yards will be a conversation piece and can set the theme for a distinctive room.

Photograph: Suter, Hedrich-Blessing. Decorator: Warren Black. Data: Ruth Lee



Forty winks make the desk work easier. No one has ever proved that a man thinks better when his feet are higher than his head, but the idea is popular and this happy homeowner has capitalized on it. The upholstered "fish" lounge gives the man at this desk a place to stretch out and clear his head. The lounge, desk chair, and easy chair are all covered with washable vinyl upholstery to make them easy-to-care-for as well as rugged in withstanding wear. The dark wall forms a relaxing background and sets a quiet mood for either desk work or dozing.

A MAN'S KIND OF COMFORT

Photographs: Don Hulin, Alderman Studios



Here's king-style living and a Mr. and Mrs. color scheme which changes an ordinary 12x15 master bedroom into something special. There's a take-it-easy bed, a wall of closets with a built-in basin for shaving, plus a lamp that's reading bright or TV dim.

The bed is an adjustable (or jointed) box spring and mattress which can be attached to any headboard. The closet wall adds two four-foot closets. Space problems? Less than you might guess. Closets subtract only a two-foot strip from the end of the room, and the original closet now stores off-season garments.

Light colors give an over-all feeling of spaciousness. Bedspreads match the carpet to minimize the beds. Adjustable mattress serves as a lounge chair.

HERE'S THE BUDGET

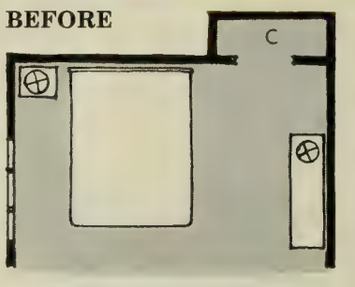
CONSTRUCTION AND WINDOW TREATMENT

closets, basin, labor (estimates vary)	$250-500
paint	10
drapery fabric and hardware	30
light fixture, dimmer, labor	100-125
(dimmer alone—prices range from	9-40)

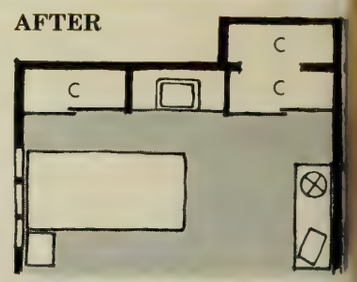
Furnishings

2 twin size beds @ $50 ea.	$100
1 twin size box spring and mattress	140
1 adjustable bed	280
(for extra 6 inches in length	20)
2 bedspreads	30

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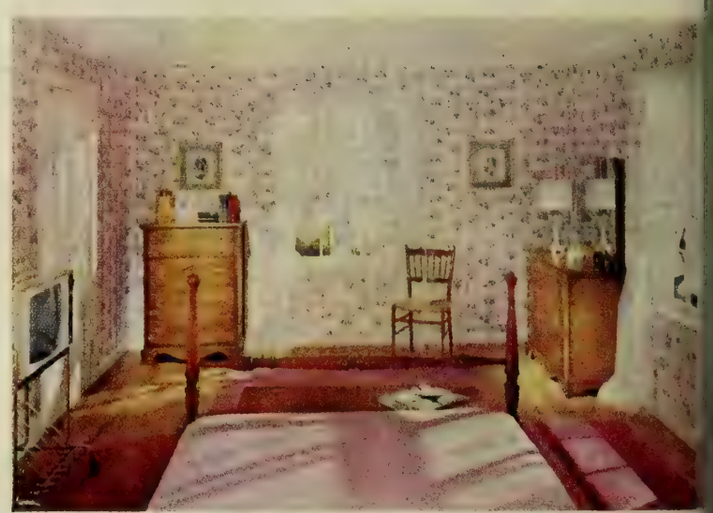
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If he brings home a brief case or heads a committee, he'll appreciate a filing desk and a typewriter. This grouping of matched units provides a desk, bookshelves, and plenty of drawer space for garments that used to be stored in bedroom dressers.

For color and for personality, start with his hobby or interests: here, souvenirs from the Pacific are complemented by a fabric patterned after carving on Polynesian canoe paddles.

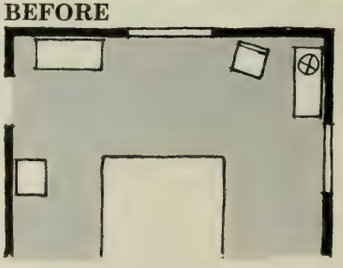
We splurged on the unusual fabric and saved by dyeing a still-good bedspread and the three small rugs, now sewed together. Dark drapery fabric blocks the view of the neighbor's house. The cedar chest was removed to make room for a king-size mattress.



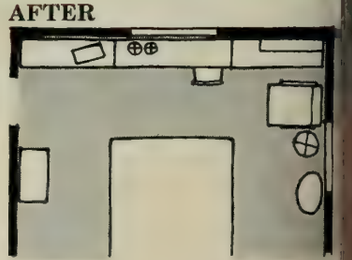
HERE'S THE BUDGET

FOR COLOR, SPECTACULAR CHANGE COSTS	**$110**
draperies for 2 windows 8 yds. Oceania print at $9, brass rods 4 at $6.50 and misc. $2	$100
dye for spread and rugs	3
paint for walls and chair	7
The comfort extras—take your pick—all total	**$580**
extra length mattress, spring	$170
extra length bedframe	15
lounge chair	50
lamps, desk $25, floor, $30	55
desk $85, small chest $60 48″ chest $90, shelves $55	290

BEFORE



AFTER



▶ *Turn to page 118 for details on our Home Improvement Contest—$30,000 in prizes!*





This is the story of a real family. But, for reasons that will be obvious as you read it, they are given a different name here. Though their children's abilities range from highly gifted to mentally retarded, the McRaes (as we will call them), with a realistic philosophy and the will to make it work, are bringing up four happy, well-adjusted, but very different young persons.

While this goes beyond the ordinary family situation, we believe their story will have a vital message for every parent who reads it. *The Editors*

The story of a father and mother who have solved the most perplexing problem parents can face

By Pat Flynn Kollings

When your own children include both gifted and retarded, you learn that honesty is the best psychology.

Forrest and Helen McRae have such a family. Through personal experience with both extremes, as well as two average children in between, they have come to accept ability differences as a fact of life. There's no self-consciousness as the words "gifted" and "retarded" come into their conversation. No cautious glances to see if a child is listening. They—and their youngsters—face these differences frankly.

"You see, Tim," Helen McRae will explain to her unambitious 11-year-old, "some people have ability and some don't. Those who do, have a responsibility to other people. If you were retarded like Pam, for instance, not as much would be expected of you."

While the McRaes are wise enough not to label their children with specific IQ scores, each youngster realizes just about what his capacities are. With skillful guidance from his parents, he is learning to accept them.

Such guidance becomes quite an assignment when you consider that the four young McRaes not only span the intelligence curve from one extreme to the other, but differ almost as sharply in personality and motivation.

Susan was the McRaes' first child, and in many ways she's been first ever since. Capable and confident, she was valedictorian of her high-school class. She has the natural drive to use her ability fully even though less effort might still net A's. From her parents, Susan needs appreciation and an enriched environment in which her gifts can flower.

At the opposite end of the family, in both age and intelligence, is tiny Pam. Though nearly 10, she looks and acts more like an appealing six-year-old. Pam is superior to many retarded children. She is eagerly pushing the ceiling of her natural ability, doing second and third grade work although her mental age is less than seven. From her parents, Pam needs love, patience, and training to be self-sufficient.

Between Susan and Pam in age—and mentality—come Julie and Tim. Both fall somewhere in the middle range of ability, but they have few other traits in common.

Julie at 14 is petite and pretty. She studies hard but rarely earns more than C's. Born in the shadow of Susan's forceful personality, she is shy and quiet. From her parents, Julie needs encouragement and a sense of her own worth.

Tim is a bright sixth-grader with the mentality to put

him near the top of his class. But like so many boys of 11, he feels that "good grades are girl stuff." He has Susan's confidence and leadership, but lacks her motivation. At the moment, he's more concerned with Little League and a large circle of friends (of which he is the center). From his parents, Tim needs incentive to use his ability fully.

With such varying abilities in the family, the McRaes don't place too much importance on report-card grades. No dollars for A's in this house.

"We don't expect that everyone will get straight A's," Forrest explains. "We do expect that they all make the most of their ability and put forth some effort. A B for Julie may be better than an A for Susan. This is something we have always made quite plain to them."

Helen's experience as a first-grade teacher has been priceless in helping Pam learn. Each morning, they spend a quiet hour together with Helen reinforcing the work being done at school, giving her child the individual help which crowded classrooms can't provide. These are relaxed and happy times. Helen is very generous with praise and good-humored with corrections. Pam giggles often at her own foolish mistakes. Helen is a calm, patient teacher, willing to wait for each step of learning until Pam is ready to take it. There's no sign of the anxious parent, frantically pushing the child toward a normality she can never reach.



Drawing: E. Ness

Pam must learn more than the three R's. Most children learn automatically the myriad bits of information that crowd our daily lives. Not so a retarded child like Pam. Every waking moment is a learning experience as her parents, and the older children, too, patiently teach her about the world she lives in.

While Pam is being helped to realize her full potential, she is not being pushed. Her family realizes her handicap and loves her as she is. Thus she is spared the emotional turmoil which often complicates the problems of a retarded child.

It would seem that, in a family where abilities vary so greatly, jealousies would be inevitable. Yet no such feelings are apparent among the McRae children, and their mother doubts if they exist.

"The other children seem proud of Susan's triumphs. When she wins a prize, Tim will say, 'Gee, that's swell, Susan!' He's generous with praise—as long as we don't expect the same from him. If we criticize Susan, both Tim and Julie will defend her. On the other hand, Susan is quick to praise the others. She is careful to get to Julie's recitals and Tim's ball games."

The other children accept Pam's handicap as realistically as their parents do. When asked, they explain to friends that she's in a special class because she needs extra help with learning. The girls' teen-age schoolmates shower her with attention. Tim's buddies accept her with matter-of-fact friendliness.

In another family, a retarded child might be regarded as a problem or even cause for embarrassment. To the McRaes, Pam is a joy and an asset. As Susan puts it, "All of us help Pam—and she helps us. She likes everybody and has so much fun in everything we do."

The youngsters' attitudes are healthy not only toward one another but also toward themselves.

"We discuss retarded children frequently," Helen says. "While I'm not sure whether Pam applies this word to herself, I think she knows that she's different from other children. But she's happy and contented with no resentment toward those who are more average.

"And I think that having Pam has kept Susan from being smug. She is gifted and Pam is retarded, but it might as easily have been the other way.

"Susan is actually a bit self-conscious about her grades. She comforts Julie by telling her that brains sometimes are a handicap, that she'd have more fun if she were like Julie."

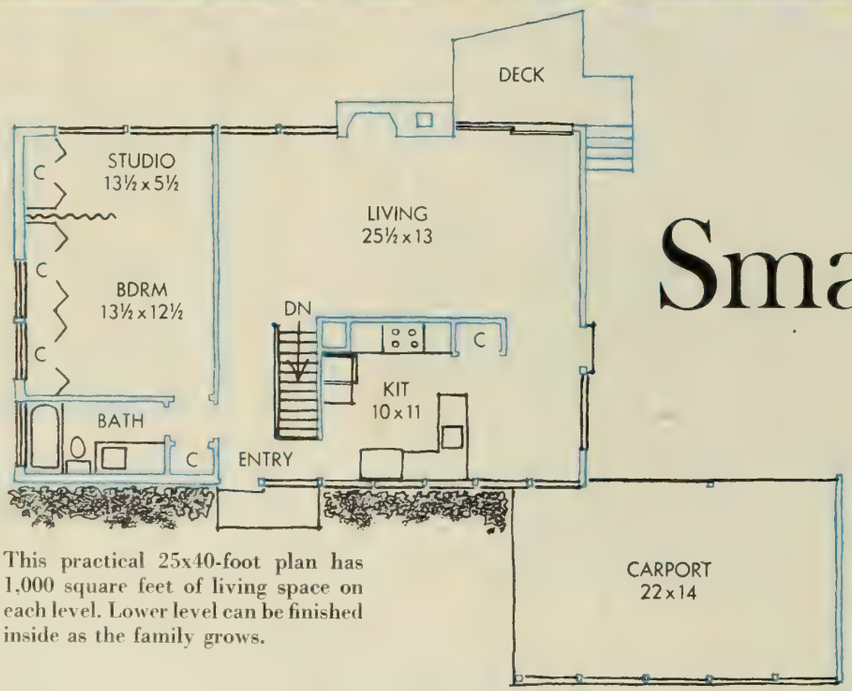
It's easier to keep Susan from feeling superior than to keep Julie from feeling inferior. Friends and teachers must be encouraged to let Julie be Julie, not just Susan's sister.

Forrest and Helen agree that an average child can get lost in a family, especially if he has exceptional brothers or sisters. Susan gets attention for her accomplishments. Pam gets it because she needs it, and, as his father puts it, "Tim just takes it." Julie is left in the middle.

"I remember the time Julie broke her arm," Forrest recalls. "When we took her to the doctor she was actually proud of that injury. It had attracted some attention that she hadn't had before. It was about that time that we realized maybe we'd been neglecting her. I think we've done better since."

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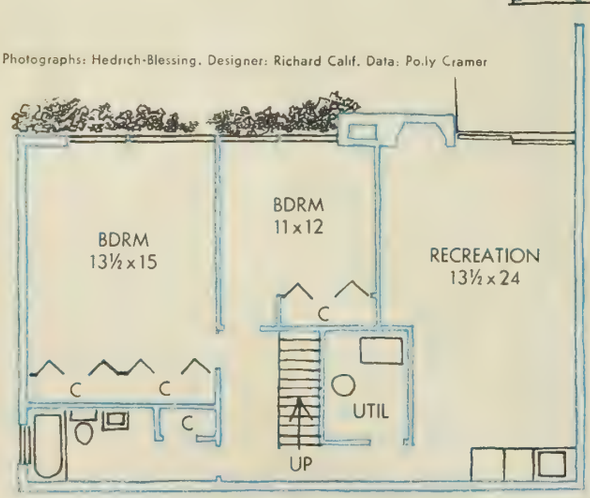




This practical 25x40-foot plan has 1,000 square feet of living space on each level. Lower level can be finished inside as the family grows.

Smart planning, hard work, and good budgeting add up to a fine house

Photographs: Hedrich-Blessing. Designer: Richard Calif. Data: Poly Cramer



By John D. Bloodgo

Tailoring substantial desires to a not-so-substantial budget was as big a problem for John and Maryanne Koch, Cincinnati, as it is for any couple. But their careful analysis of the problem and a willingness to work on the solution led to this extraordinary house. The Kochs selected a hillside lot (cheaper than level lots in the neighborhood) that would let them build a two-story home with one level to live in now—another to develop later. They planned a small-perimeter, rectangular house because they knew that extra corners add to construction costs. John and Maryanne kept costs at rock bottom by doing much of the work themselves. This included everything from building closet shelves, carport storage, and a wooden deck, to painting, hauling topsoil, landscaping and laying vinyl tile.



Simplicity can be attractive as well as economical. Although there is no ornate trim here, a band of yellow between stories and white window and door trim make the brick and stained wood exterior as cheerful and bright as the inside.

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Smart planning, work, and budgeting

Continued



The brilliant orange of the entry door, contrasting sharply with the more subdued hues of brick and wood, announces a welcome to visitors. Louvered blinds screen the flanking panel of glass.



What better way to ease the strain on your decor ating budget than using a dramatic view as a ever-changing mural across one wall? Putting th fireplace on the same wall makes it easy to grou furniture to focus on both view and fireplace.

Brightly colored furniture, though not abundant does a very complete job of enriching this sparklin room. Glass at right opens to the balcony.



Folding wood door closes off the rear section of th master bedroom. This back section has its ow storage unit and now serves as a studio for it artist owners. Its first duty (before the lower leve bedroom was finished) was as a nursery.

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This bedroom, on the lower level, has a glass wall that makes the room almost a part of the woods. John painted the chest sparkling colors to perk up the neutral wall.

The area left of the fireplace in this lower level family room can be converted to a third bedroom by adding a wall. The fireplace was located to make this conversion easy.





HUNTING

Here, a celebrated outdoor writer reveals ten of the sporting vacation spots his



wife and sons chose as their favorites. You can take the same trips with your family.

FISHING...

By Byron W. Dalrymple

The quail covey swooshed from thorny scrub in a blizzard of wings. My son Mike, eyes popping, swung his gun, too excited to hear my admonition to shoot deliberately. Even so, at the report, a quail tumbled. Whooping with joy, Mike turned to me, and I could see his eyes were shining with the ancient drama of the hunt.

My two boys are learning about the outdoors, and about fishing and hunting, with me. It's a wonderful father-son relationship—clean, healthful, full of adventure for both. It creates a bond that, properly nurtured, will never break. Often my whole family goes on fish-hunt vacations where each of us can find stimulating activities, separately or together.

Naturally, after these many outings together, we have certain favorites. You can take any of these trips yourself, and share my family's thrill at the leap of a silvery fish, the startling flush of an upland game bird, a wedge of honking geese in a leaden sky, or the crackling burst of a deer from its covert. One of these expeditions can be Dad's long-dreamed-of sportsman's vacation, alone or with cronies. They're also perfect father-son trips. Or try them as family vacations, where Mother can fish or hunt if she wishes (so many women do nowadays)—or enjoy family activities, excellent eating out, and sight-seeing after her menfolk are in from field or stream.

Some of these favorite trips are for fishing only, some just for hunting; but in either case, there is usually some juicy offering in the opposite sport available at other times of the year. Some trips are combinations, where activities in both sports may be savored on the same jaunt.

They're not particularly expensive trips, nor physically difficult. All are in accessible areas, easily "driveable" on good roads, with in-town or lodge accommodations (no roughing it unless you wish). Because my family and I have been fortunate enough to fish and hunt over much of the continental United States, these trips are scattered border to border, coast to coast. There's one within easy traveling range of you.

Here they are, and here's hoping you enjoy them as much as we have!

Fall in Maine: hunting whitetail deer, ruffed grouse, and woodcock.

My family still gets a laugh remembering the exciting autumn trip we made to Maine. We'd planned carefully, as is wise, so all of the open game seasons would coincide. For riflemen, deer season opens there about the last third of October and runs into November. For archers, the season generally opens with grouse, around October 1st. Ruffed grouse, locally called "pa'tridge," are

wonderfully abundant in the deer woods; and if frosts have not been too severe, the migratory woodcock (their season opens with grouse) flutter from moist, brushy coverts along the stream bottoms everywhere.

But about our laugh—I always had the wrong gun at the right time. With my rifle ready for deer, I saw birds. When I shouldered my shotgun for birds, bucks bounded up. I suffered exquisite frustration. My guide—he is well worth his daily ten or fifteen dollars, at least for a couple of days to save much wasted wandering—finally convinced me I should hunt until I got my deer, then concentrate on birds. This, as I learned, is sound advice indeed.

Maine has some of the largest whitetail deer in the world. Annually, several over 300 pounds are weighed in. Maine deer are also unusually abundant; you can select hunting locations from a vast area and find excellent accommodations in practically every village. Lodge rates run as low as $7 per day for room and meals, to a high of $15 or $20. There are countless housekeeping cabins.

Rangeley, Jackman, Patten, Aurora, Eustis, Rockwood, Beddington, and Princeton are good locations. Or, write the Maine Department of Economic Development, Hunting Service, Portland, Maine. They'll suggest areas, give seasons, license costs (around $25 nonresident for big game, $10 for small), and help you plan your trip.

Our brightest memories are of luscious game dinners: broiled woodcock, grouse browned and simmered, fresh roast venison. And oh that lobster along the coast—don't miss it!

My wife, Ellen, didn't hunt much; she lazed in the lodge, enjoyed wonderful scenery. Going up, on drives while there, and all the way back, we reveled in a stunning "color tour" of wooded country: the reds and yellows of fall-painted leaves mixed with the evergreens. Fall in Maine is indeed heady stuff, for father and son, man and wife, or the whole family. Don't forget to watch for big, bright-hued spawning brook trout in the streams as you hunt. They'll remind you that you're in very special sportsman country for a spring or summer trip, too!

Spring in southern Florida: fishing for tarpon or snook in coastal waters, black bass inland.

Precisely when Florida's great spring exodus begins, lodging rates fall and fishing for three great game fish zooms. No sports situation was ever less publicized, yet more suited to the bargain-minded sportsman and his family.

For several years, we spent April, May, and June in southern Florida. Fishing the so-called "grass flats," those endless [*Turn to page 128*



Photographs: Author; Ozzie Sweet

Does it cost MONEY to be distinctive?

Not necessarily–

and here's the proof. Bill Kessler, an architect in Grosse Point, Michigan, designed and built this house for his family on the same tight budget that an ordinary house of the same size would have cost them. But just look at the visual delight designed into the plan and roof line. The Kesslers' home, located on a typical-looking street, received a strong reaction from their neighbors—after a visit, they all wished they lived there, too. ***By Noel Seney***

More photographs, floor plan on next page





Every room sparkles with excitement





Photographs: Bill Hedrich, Hedrich-Blessing. Builder: Harry Smith Construction Co., Member NAHB.

The center-of-the-house kitchen is bright with light and colo
Brightness flows in all day long from skylights (you can se
the corner of one) and the rear glass wall. Smart alternatin
colors on the cabinet doors (they're hinged at the top, so the
open out of the way) add a gay note over the sink.

From the street, the entry is easily visible and very inviting—but the tall brick wall screens the entire glass front of the house. The wall has projecting bricks that add a changing-shadow accent of interest.

Driveway is out of the picture at right. It (and a carport, someday) adjoin the outdoor storage unit (see plan).



This secluded garden at the front of the house can be enjoye
from both the living room and master bedroom. Easy-care plan
ings need only the pleasurable type of upkeep.

The front wall (left) lines up with the rest of the houses o
the street. The living room seems almost to start here—as if th
room were divided indoors-from-out by the glass wall.



The pattern of roof gives character to every room inside, as well as distinction to the exterior.

The ceiling, shown here from the rear, is 4x6 cedar decking with acoustical striations—a product used often in institutional buildings.

Above it, 1-inch insulation board and tar and gravel keep the weather out. The roof is supported by the 1½x3-inch steel posts.

The floor plan works as well as the house itself looks

From the control-center kitchen, children in the family room or in the back yard are within sight.

And serving a snack in the family room, a formal meal in the dining area, or even after-dinner coffee in the living room can be done with a minimum of steps.

The working parts of the house (tinted yellow) are all grouped together, without loss of convenience. A half-bath at the entry serves efficiently as a powder room, and the family bath is close to all three of the bedrooms. The three bedrooms group conveniently around their own private hall.



This gravy-rich beef stew calls for soup bowls—and spoons as well as forks so as not to waste even a drop! Serve with creamy slaw and homemade bread.

OLD-TIME BEEF STEW

A MAN'S KIND OF EATING







Photographs: Allen Snook

How long since you served your man a tasty brown stew? We're talking about the kind with husky chunks of beef cooked to tender goodness—with plenty of onions and carrots to make it a complete, satisfying meal-in-one. And if he's a "meat-and-potatoes" guy, dice up a few spuds to put in, too. Here's the recipe (with all the tricks)—bet he'll tell you it's like HIS mother's!

It's the browning—long and lazy—that gives a stew the rich color and flavor men like. Heat 2 tablespoons fat in Dutch oven. Add 2 pounds beef chuck, cut in 1½-inch cubes, and brown on all sides—keep turning the cubes (use tongs). Don't hurry—this should take about 20 minutes. Next, slice up a nice big onion and add along with a clove of garlic (on toothpick so you can retrieve it!), 4 cups boiling water, 1 tablespoon *each* salt and lemon juice, 1 teaspoon *each* sugar and Worcestershire sauce, ½ teaspoon *each* pepper and paprika, a bay leaf or two, and a dash of allspice or cloves.

Gentle cooking is what makes the meat *tender*, so cover and simmer (not boil), 2 hours. (Stir now and then to prevent sticking.) When meat is almost done, add the vegetables—6 carrots cut in quarters, 1 pound small white onions (and perhaps a few diced potatoes). For handsome look, cut each kind of vegetable in same-size pieces—note bias-cut carrots in the second picture. Now simmer the stew 30 minutes longer or till everything in the kettle is tender. Discard bay leaf and garlic.

Gravy time. Pour ½ cup cold water into a shaker, then add ¼ cup flour; shake hard to blend. Remove from heat, push meat and vegetables to one side of pan; stir in flour mixture. Cook *and stir* till gravy thickens and boils. Cook gently a few minutes. No lumps!





RIBS AND MORE RIBS

A MAN'S KIND OF EATING

These are cook-in specials to tickle the ribs of your barbecue chef on wintry evenings. The directions are for baking in the oven, but we'll wager he'll want to add the sauce recipes to his own repertoire for cookouts come spring. Our serving baskets offer three kinds of barbecued ribs —we also give a recipe for old-country Ribs and Kraut. Good ribbing here!

Polynesian Rib Kabobs are the appetizer type men rave about at Oriental restaurants. Slabs of spareribs are sawed in narrow widths, strung on bamboo skewers for easy pickup. The glaze of brown sugar, catsup, and soy sauce boasts a shot of gingerroot. Great for a stag snack. Serve with Chinese Mustard.

Big-wheel Spareribs first roast with slices of lemon and onion atop for a happy union of flavors. Then the ribs are brushed with a special tomato sauce and cooked to a tender, crusty finish. Add a loaf of Barbecue Bread and toss a green salad with garlic dressing, and there's your meal.

Ranch Ribs are what men have in mind when they say they're hungry for plain barbecued ribs. The sauce is a catsup type, subtly herbed with celery seed. For a short cut, you can use one of the excellent bottled barbecue sauces, of course. Bake the ribs in a shallow pan or lace on a spit to whirl in oven rotisserie or over the coals. What cut to buy? Spareribs are dandy, but for lots of juicy meat on those bones, get pork back ribs as shown bottom right—they're tops!

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ptographs: Allen Snook

TREATS FROM THE OVEN

A MAN'S KIND OF EATING

You might call it tender loving care for husbands, sweet-tooth department. Anyhow, here are his favorite favorites (and the recipes) to sweeten him up.

Butter-Pecan Rolls. They're gloriously good with a syrup of brown sugar and butter that bubbles in the bottom of the pan and up the sides to give each roll a glossy, rich coat. And they're spicy with cinnamon, crunchy with nuts. Serve them oven-hot with a big stick of butter—no dainty little butter pats this time, please!

Red Cherry Pie. It's tangy but not tart, sweet but not too-too. Just right! The lattice crust is tender, flaky, crisp. Aside from all the eating merits, you'll like the uncomplicated recipe—you don't have to cook the filling separately.

Real Fudge Cake. This is one time a man isn't likely to prefer a blond. The cake in our picture is deep dark chocolate—and so is the frosting—and ditto for the chocolate shavings atop. Yes, triple chocolate! And besides all that, it eats like velvet!

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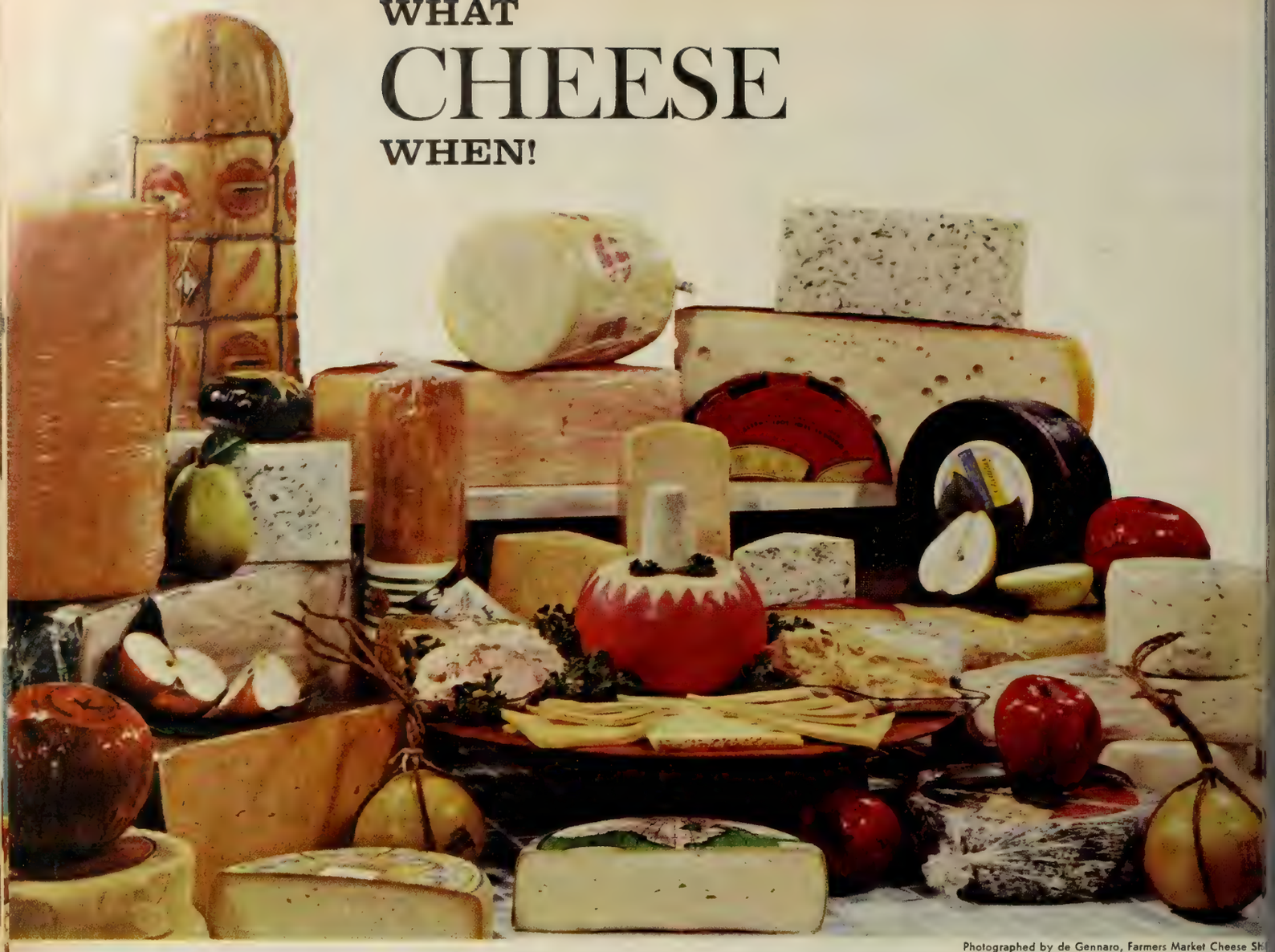






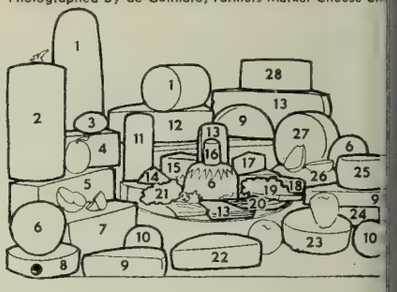
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WHAT CHEESE WHEN!



1 Provolone (salami-style)
2 Longhorn
3 Midget Cheddar (sharp)
4 Gorgonzola
5 Parmesan
6 Edam
7 Cheddar (sharp)
8 Cheddar (soft)
9 Port du Salut
10 Provolone
11 Smoked Swiss
12 Cheddar (medium-sharp)
13 Swiss
14 Roquefort
15 Cheshire
16 Sapsago
17 Stilton
18 Gourmandise
19 Sharp Cheddar spread
20 Cheddar (sliced)
21 Pimento cream-cheese dip
22 Bel Paese
23 Grape cheese
24 Bondost
25 Bondost with caraway seed
26 Christian IX (Danish spiced)
27 Herkimer (a cheddar type)
28 Sage

Photographed by de Gennaro, Farmers Market Cheese Sh



Cheese	*How it looks and tastes*	*How to serve*
Blue, Gorgonzola, Roquefort	Compact, creamy cheeses veined with blue or blue-green mold. Sometimes crumbly. Peppery or sharp piquant flavor.	Crumble in salads, salad dressings, dips. Delicious with crackers, fresh pears or apples for dessert. Blend with butter for steak topper.
Brick	Medium firm; creamy yellow color, tiny holes. Flavor very mild to medium sharp.	Makes a tasty sandwich or snack. Or serve on an appetizer tray or with dessert.
Brie (*bree*)	Similar to Camembert, but slightly firmer. Distinctive sharp flavor, pronounced odor.	Serve same as Camembert. Eat the crust.
Camembert (*kam'-em-bear*)	Creamy yellow inside, with a crust you can eat. When ripe, it softens to the consistency of thick cream. Full, rich, mildly pungent flavor.	Classic dessert cheese—serve at room temperature with fruit, crackers. Also nice on an appetizer tray or as a snack.
Chantelle	Pale yellow with red coat. Mellow; semisoft.	For sandwiches, dessert, or cheese tray.
Cheddar (*American*)	Favorite all-round cheese. Flavor varies from mild to sharp. Color ranges from natural to yellow-orange; texture from firm to crumbly. May come sliced, grated, shredded, cubed.	In sandwiches, casseroles, souffles, and creamy sauces. With fruit pie or crisp crackers; on a snack or dessert tray with fruit.

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Great Idea: souper pancakes

eamed Chicken 'n Pancakes

e 8 pancakes. Meanwhile, in saucepan, c 1 cup chopped celery in 2 tbsp. butter ender. Blend in 1 can Campbell's Cream hicken Soup, ⅓ to ½ cup t. Add 1 cup diced cooked ken, 2 tbsp. chopped pimien- nd ¼ cup toasted slivered al- ds. Heat, stirring now and n. Serve between and over cakes. 4 delicious servings.



Creamed Eggs 'n Pancakes

Make 8 pancakes. Meanwhile, in saucepan, cook 4 slices bacon till crisp; remove and crumble. Pour off drippings. Blend in 1 can Campbell's Cream of Mushroom Soup, ⅓ to ½ cup milk. Add bacon, 4 hard-cooked eggs (sliced), 2 tbsp. chopped pimiento. Heat, stirring now and then. Serve between and over pancakes. (Save some bacon for garnish.) Serves 4.



Creamed Tuna 'n Pancakes

Make 8 pancakes. Meanwhile, in saucepan, cook 2 tbsp. chopped onion in 1 tbsp. butter until tender. Blend in 1 can Campbell's Cream of Celery Soup and ⅓ to ½ cup milk. Add a 7-oz. can tuna (drained and flaked) and ½ cup cooked peas. Heat, stirring now and then. Serve between and over pancakes. 4 souper servings. Just perfect for lunch or supper.



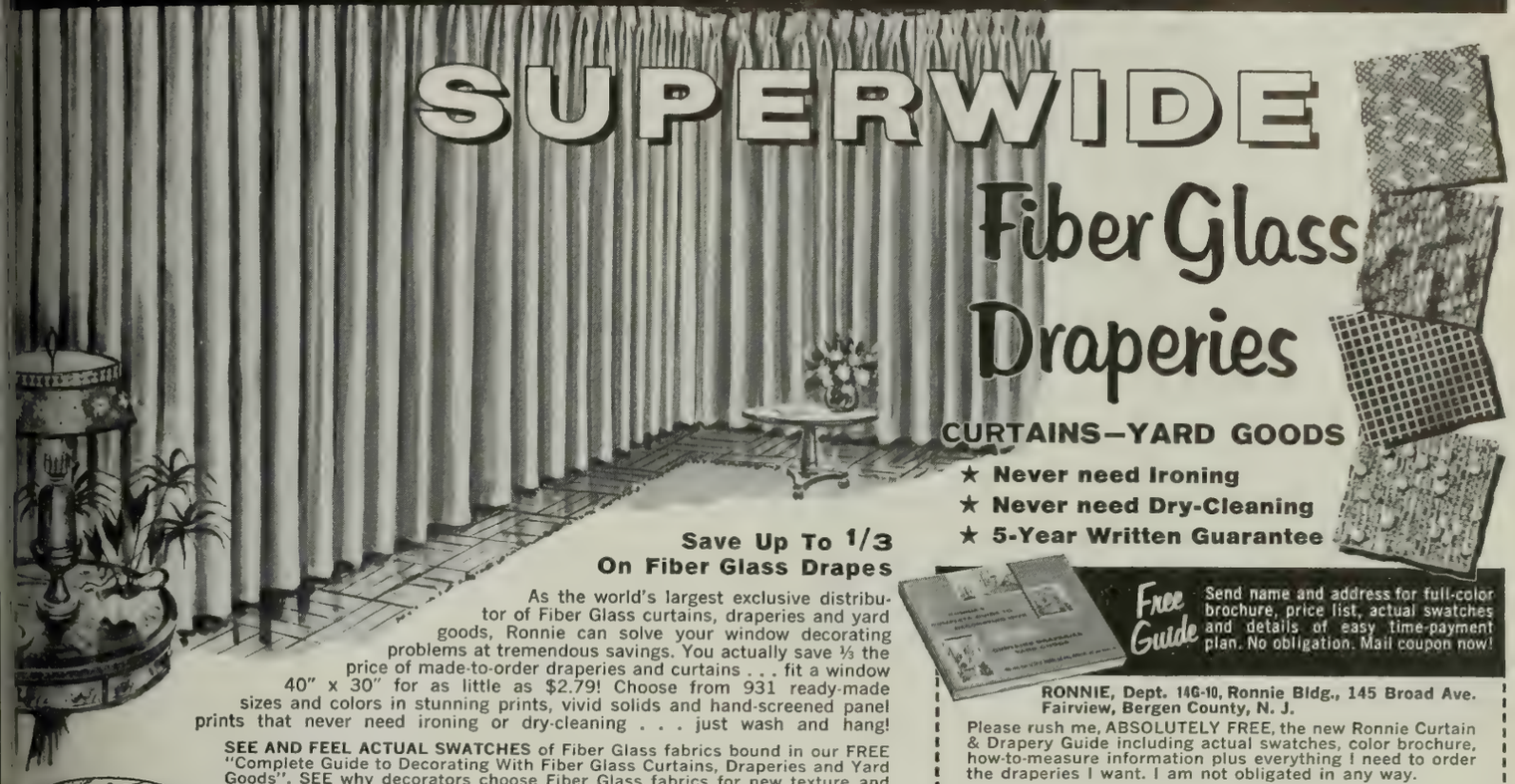
M'm! M'm! Good! When the soup is Campbell's

Know your cheese *Continued*

Cheese	*How it looks and tastes*	*How to serve*
Cream	Very mild-flavored soft cheese with buttery texture. Rich and smooth. Comes plain, whipped, or flavored with chives, pineapple, pimento, etc.	Adds richness and body to molded and frozen salads, cheesecake, dips, frosting, sandwich spreads.
Edam, Gouda	Round, red-coated cheeses; creamy yellow to yellow-orange inside; firm and smooth. Mild nutlike flavor. "Baby Gouda" weighs less than a pound, Edam weighs 2 to 4 pounds.	Bright hub for dessert or snack tray. Good in sandwiches or crunchy salad, or with crackers.
Liederkranz	Cousin to Limburger, but milder, golden yellow.	Spread on pumpernickel, rye, or crackers.
Limburger	Known for its robust flavor and aroma. When ripened, inside is soft, smooth, creamy white.	Men like it on dark breads, with salty pretzels, coffee. Serve at room temperature.
Mozzarella, Scamorze	Unripened. Mild-flavored and slightly firm. Color varies from creamy white to pale yellow.	Cooking cheese. A "must" for pizza, lasagne; good in toasted sandwiches, hot snacks.
Muenster (*mun'-stir*)	Similar to Brick cheese. Mild to mellow flavor, creamy white. Medium hard, tiny holes.	Use in sandwiches or on snack or dessert tray.
Parmesan, Romano	Sharp, piquant, very hard cheeses. Come grated. Parmesan also comes shredded. Or grate your own.	Sprinkle on pizza, main dishes, breads, salads, soups, buttered popcorn!
Provolone (*pro-vo-low'-nee*)	A smoked cheese, mellow to sharp flavored. Firm; creamy white. Pear or sausage shaped.	Use in Italian dishes, in sandwiches, on snack and appetizer trays.
Swiss	Firm, pale yellow cheese, with large round holes. Nutlike flavor.	Nice choice for ham-cheese sandwiches, fondue. Good in salads, sauces, as a snack.
Process cheeses	Cheddar (American), Brick, Swiss, or Limburger, etc., is melted, pasteurized, and packaged. Smooth, creamy cheese that melts easily. May be flavored with bacon, pimento, pineapple, etc.	Ideal for cheese sauces, souffles, for grilled cheese sandwiches, in casseroles. Handy for the snack tray, too.



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MONEY for your recipes

Garden vegetables; lunchtime sandwiches

DO YOU HAVE a flair for doing something deliciously different with garden vegetables—or lunchtime sandwiches? We think you do, so send along your recipes. Two Cooks-of-the-Month will receive $20 each. Nineteen other winners will receive $5 each. Selected winning recipes will be pictured in the Prize Tested Recipes pages next September. The winners of these 21 prizes will receive a framed *Better Homes & Gardens* Certificate of Endorsement and six copies of the endorsed recipe.

Hints to help you

Garden vegetables highlight your September meals. Tell us how you fix your favorite. Add a sauce or stuffing? A shiny glaze? What's new with herbs and other seasonings? Your recipe might be for squash, tomatoes, green peppers, Limas, corn, white or sweet potatoes. Suggestions:

French-fried onion rings
Roman eggplant
carrot souffle
broiled tomatoes
sauced cauliflower
caraway cabbage
candied squash

Lunchtime sandwiches may include that exciting new creation you pack in Junior's lunch box. Or, a hot or cold specialty for a soup-'n-sandwich lunch. Include tea sandwiches, too. Bread: light or dark, Italian style, rolls of all kinds, canned breads, nut breads.

your best peanut-butter sandwich
cold cuts on rye
3-deck sandwich
toasted deviled ham
Hawaiian frankfurter sandwich
Danish open face
skillet sandwich

Contest rules

1. Write your recipe clearly on one side of the paper and mark it "September Lunchtime Sandwiches" or "September Garden Vegetables." If you wish, send a recipe for each of the two categories.
2. Print your full name and address in upper right corner of paper.
3. Give measurements in *level* cups, tablespoons, teaspoons.
4. Specify brand names of the nationally known food products you use as ingredients so we can test your recipe with the same brands.
5. Include 50 to 100 words about the origin of the recipe you submit.
6. Recipes submitted become property of *Better Homes & Gardens*.
7. Entries must be postmarked by midnight, February 28. In cases where duplicate recipes are submitted, the one with the earliest postmark will be judged. All judges' decisions will be final.
8. We reserve the right to adjust and edit winning recipes.
9. Address the recipes you enter to 5502 Test Kitchen, *Better Homes & Gardens*, Des Moines 3, Iowa.

THIS MONTH'S WINNERS

(*See recipes on pages 101 and 102*)

Cooks-of-the-Month

Man-size Sandwiches: Mrs. J. A. Satterfield, Fort Worth, Tex.
Cherry Favorites: Susan Gamer, New York, N.Y.

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Polynesian Barbecue Sauce

½ cup soy sauce
½ cup catsup
3 tablespoons brown sugar
2 to 3 teaspoons grated gingerroot or 1 teaspoon ground ginger
1 teaspoon monosodium glutamate

Mix ingredients; let stand overnight before using.

Chinese Mustard

¼ cup boiling water
¼ cup dry English mustard
½ teaspoon salt
2 teaspoons salad oil

Stir boiling water into dry mustard. Add salt and salad oil. If sauce is not yellow enough, add some turmeric. Pour into serving bowl and sprinkle with parsley; pass with Polynesian Rib Kabobs. Makes about ⅓ cup.

Big-wheel Spareribs

3 to 4 pounds loin back ribs or spareribs, cut in serving pieces
1 lemon
1 large onion

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1 8-ounce can (1 cup) seasoned tomato sauce
½ cup catsup
¼ cup bottled steak sauce
1½ cups water

Season ribs with salt and pepper; place in shallow roasting pan, meaty side up. On each piece, place a slice of unpared lemon and a slice of onion. Roast in very hot oven (450°) 30 minutes. Spoon off excess fat. Combine remaining ingredients; bring to boiling and pour over ribs. Lower temperature control to 350° and continue baking 1½ hours or till done, basting with sauce every 15 minutes. (If sauce gets too thick, add more water.) Makes 4 servings.

Barbecue Bread

½ cup (1 stick) soft butter or margarine
1 tablespoon prepared mustard
½ cup shredded Parmesan cheese
¼ cup snipped parsley
1 loaf French bread, about 18 inches long

Combine first 4 ingredients. Slash bread on the bias in 1-inch slices, cutting to, *but not through*, bottom crust. Spread butter mixture generously on one side of each slice. Wrap loaf in foil. Heat in moderate oven (350°) about 25 to 30 minutes or till hot through.

Ranch Ribs

3 to 4 pounds loin back ribs, or spareribs sawed in two strips, about 3 inches wide
1 cup catsup
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
2 or 3 dashes Tabasco sauce

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Whipped Prune Cake

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1 cup finely cut cooked prunes
2 eggs, separated
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1 tsp. salt
¼ cup vegetable oil
1 cup milk
2 tsp. lemon rind



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In a 1½ quart casserole combine 2 medium sized cans or glass jars of B & M Baked Beans, 2 tablespoons prepared mustard, 3 tablespoons marmalade and 1 tablespoon minced onion. Bake 10 minutes in hot oven. Cut a small loaf of French bread into one-inch slices through to bottom crust. Butter both sides of bread slices with mustard butter made by creaming ½ stick soft butter with teaspoon of prepared mustard. Press loaf slightly into beans and bake again for 5 minutes until bread is slightly brown.

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1 cup water
¼ cup vinegar
1 tablespoon sugar
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon celery seed

Season ribs with salt and pepper; place in shallow roasting pan, meaty side up. Roast in very hot oven (450°) 30 minutes. Lower temperature control to 350° and continue baking 30 minutes. Spoon off excess fat. Combine remaining ingredients; bring to boiling and pour over ribs. Continue baking at 350° about 45 minutes or till ribs are tender, basting with sauce every 15 minutes. (If sauce gets too thick, add more water.) Makes 4 servings.

Ribs and Kraut
(*Not photographed*)

It's the long, slow cooking that mellows the kraut and tenders the meat—and lets you stay out of the kitchen for hours—

1 No. 2½ can (3½ cups) sauerkraut, drained
2 unpared tart apples, sliced
2 tablespoons sugar
2 to 3 teaspoons caraway seed
3 to 4 pounds loin back ribs o spareribs, cut in serving pie
2 teaspoons salt
¼ teaspoon pepper

In Dutch oven, mix kraut, app sugar, and caraway seed. Sea ribs with the salt and pepper; p meaty side up over kraut. B covered in slow oven (300°) 4 hours. Use spoon to serve ribs kraut so as to get all the g juices. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Polynesian Rib Kabobs

These are small ribs cut in short s for appetizers. For main-dish ribs, regular size and bake a little long

3 pounds small loin back ribs meaty spareribs, sawed in 2 to 2½-inch strips
¼ cup sugar
1 teaspoon smoked salt
1 recipe Polynesian Barbecue Sauce



Keep the cooky jar filled with the likes of these!

These Brownies are chewy, fudgey, chock-full of nuts, and fro ed, too. The Sugar Cookies with raisin centers are the Gra mother kind that every man remembers from boyhood days. T Oatmeal Drop Cookies (on top deck) are the crisp type. All ma splendid munching with a mug of hot coffee or glass of mi

Rub spareribs on both sides with sugar and smoked salt; let stand 2 hours. Brush with Polynesian Barbecue Sauce; let stand at least an hour—preferably longer. Place ribs, meaty side up, on rack in shallow pan. Bake in very hot oven (450°) 15 minutes; spoon off fat. Lower heat control to 350° and continue baking 1 hour or till done, turning ribs and brushing with barbecue sauce a few times. Cut in serving pieces.

When are ribs done? Always cook fresh pork until the lean meat is light gray. Snip between the rib bones—no pink if pork is done. Another doneness sign—the meat can easily be pulled away from bones.

Brownies

½ cup butter or margarine
1 cup sugar
2 eggs
2 1-ounce squares unsweetened chocolate, melted
1 teaspoon vanilla
½ cup sifted all-purpose flour
½ cup chopped walnuts

Cream butter and sugar; beat in eggs. Blend in chocolate, vanilla, and flour. (That's right—no baking powder!) Add walnuts. Bake in greased 8x8x2-inch pan in slow oven (325°) 30 to 35 minutes.

Brownie Frosting: Melt one 1-ounce square unsweetened chocolate with 1 tablespoon butter over hot water. Remove from heat. Stir in 1 cup sifted confectioners' sugar and dash salt. Add about 2 tablespoons boiling water to make a thin frosting (but not as thin as a glaze). Add ½ teaspoon vanilla. Pour over cooled brownies in pan, spreading to edges; cut in bars.

Sugar Cookies

⅔ cup shortening
¾ cup sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 egg
4 teaspoons milk

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2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
1½ teaspoons baking powder
¼ teaspoon salt

Thoroughly cream shortening, sugar, and vanilla. Add egg; beat till light and fluffy. Stir in milk. Sift together dry ingredients; blend into creamed mixture. Divide dough in half. Chill 1 hour. On lightly floured surface, roll to ⅛ inch.* Cut in desired shapes with cutters. Center each with 3 seedless raisins and sprinkle with sugar. Bake on greased cooky sheet in moderate oven (375°) about 6 to 8 minutes. Cool slightly; remove from pan. Cool on rack. Makes 2 dozen.

*Roll only half of dough at a time; keep remainder chilled.

Oatmeal Drop Cookies

1 cup shortening
1 cup granulated sugar
1 cup brown sugar
2 eggs

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2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon soda
½ teaspoon baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
2 cups quick-cooking rolled oats
1 cup seedless raisins
½ cup chopped California walnuts

Cream together shortening and sugars till fluffy; add eggs and beat well. Sift together flour, soda, baking powder, and salt; add to creamed mixture and stir well. Stir in remaining ingredients. Drop from teaspoon, 2 inches apart on greased cooky sheet. Top each with walnut half, if desired. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 12 to 15 minutes or till done. Makes about 5½ dozen.

Butter-Pecan Rolls

1 package active dry yeast
or 1 cake compressed yeast
¼ cup water
1 cup milk, scalded
¼ cup shortening
¼ cup sugar
1 teaspoon salt
3¼ to 3½ cups sifted all-purpose flour
1 beaten egg
1 recipe *each* Filling and Topping

Soften active dry yeast in *warm* water or compressed yeast in *lukewarm* water. Combine hot milk, shortening, sugar, and salt; cool to lukewarm. Add 1 *cup* of the flour; beat well. Beat in softened yeast and egg. Gradually add remaining flour to form a soft dough, beating well. Brush top *lightly* with soft shortening; cover and let rise in warm place till double (about 1½ to 2 hours). Punch down; turn out on lightly floured surface and divide dough in half. Roll each piece in 12x8-inch rectangle about ⅜ inch thick. **Filling:** Brush each rectangle with 2 tablespoons melted butter or margarine. Combine ½ cup sugar and 2 teaspoons cinnamon; sprinkle half over each rectangle. Beginning with long side, roll each jelly-roll fashion; seal edge. Cut each roll in eight 1½-inch slices.

Topping: In *each* of two 9½x5x3-inch metal loaf pans, mix ½ cup brown sugar, ¼ cup butter or margarine, and 1 tablespoon light corn syrup. Heat slowly, stirring frequently till blended. Remove from heat. Sprinkle ⅓ cup pecans in each pan and top with 8 rolls, cut side down. Cover; let rise in warm place till double (about 35 to 45 minutes). Bake in moderate oven (375°) about 25 minutes or till done. Cool 2 or 3 minutes; invert on rack and remove pans. Makes 16 rolls.

Red Cherry Pie

¾ cup juice from cherries
¾ cup sugar
1½ tablespoons quick-cooking tapioca
2½ cups *well-drained*, canned, pitted tart red cherries* (water pack)
Few drops red food coloring
Dash salt
1 recipe Plain Pastry
1 tablespoon butter or margarine

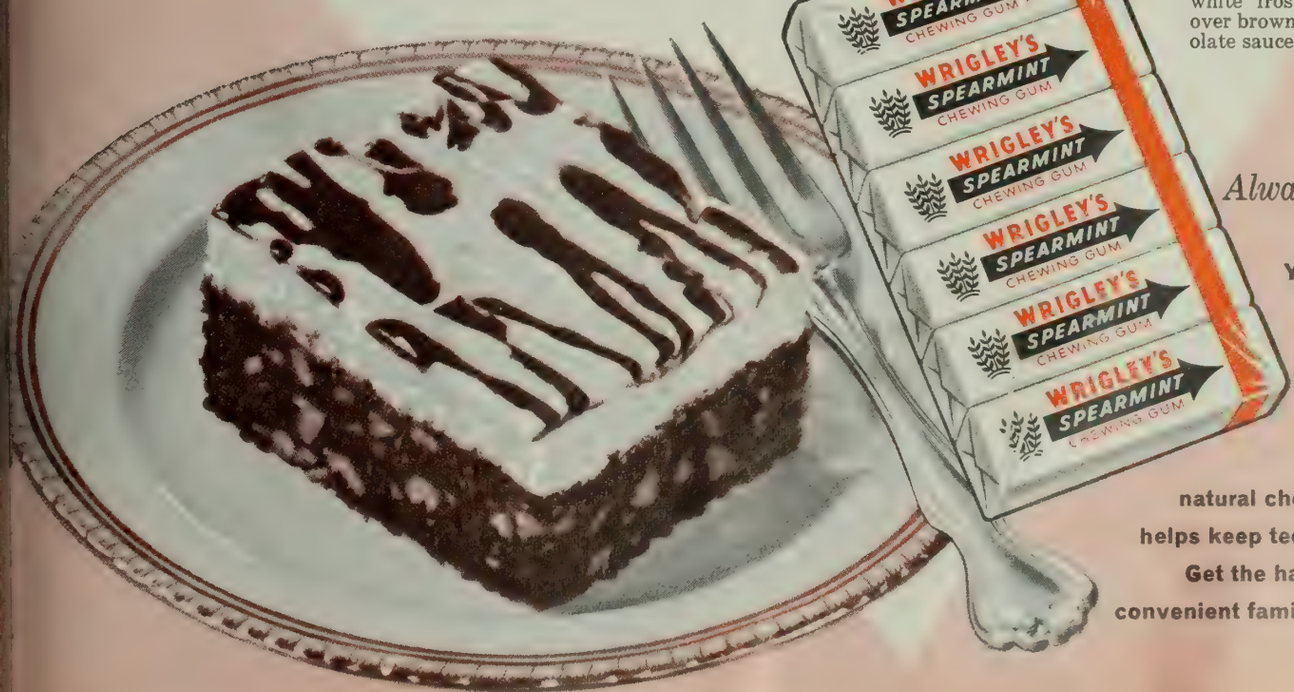
Combine juice, sugar, tapioca, cherries, food coloring, and salt; let stand 20 minutes. Line 9-inch pie plate with pastry; fill with

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Ripple Brownie

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RIPPLE BROWNIES

Use your own brownie recipe or get at store. Or use the following recipe—it's delicious. **1**—Cream 1 cup sugar, ½ cup shortening. Add 2 beaten eggs, (*beat well and hard*), 2 squares melted chocolate, 1 tsp. vanilla, ½ cup *unsifted* bread flour and *optional* 1 cup chopped nuts. **2**—Pour into buttered 8x8x2 pan. Bake 30 min. at 300°F. Cool. Frost. *The frosting:* **1**—Make with ½ recipe on box of fluffy white frosting mix. Spread richly over brownies. **2**—Ripple with chocolate sauce, pouring from a pitcher.

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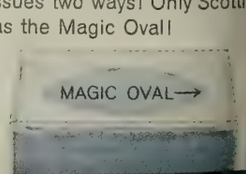
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cherry mixture. Dot with butter. Adjust lattice crust; crimp edge high. Gently fold a strip of foil or pie tape around rim of crust, covering fluted edge. (This keeps juices in pie, guards against boil-over in oven and overbrowning.) Bake in very hot oven (450°) 15 minutes. Lower temperature control to 375° and bake 45 more minutes or till lattice is golden. Serve warm.

*In using frozen pitted tart red cherries (thawed) or the canned syrup-pack pitted tart red cherries, decrease sugar to ⅓ cup and omit food coloring.

Plain Pastry

2 cups sifted enriched flour
1 teaspoon salt
⅔ cup shortening
5 to 7 tablespoons cold water

Sift together flour and salt; cut in shortening with pastry blender or blending fork till pieces are the size of small peas. Sprinkle 1 tablespoon of the water over part of mixture. Gently toss with fork; push to side of bowl. Sprinkle next tablespoon water over dry part; mix lightly; push to moistened part at side. Repeat till all is moistened. Form in ball. For lattice-top pie, divide dough for lower and upper crust. Form each in ball. Flatten ball slightly and roll ⅛ inch thick on a lightly floured surface. Makes enough pastry for one 9-inch lattice-top pie.

Lattice top: Trim lower crust ½ inch beyond edge of pie plate. Cut strips of pastry dough ½ to ¾ inch wide with pastry wheel or knife. Lay lengthwise strips on top of filled pie at 1-inch intervals. Fold back alternate strips to help you weave cross-strips over and under, placing them on the diagonal. Trim lattice even with outer rim of pie plate; dampen edge of pastry lightly with water; fold lower crust over strips. Seal; crimp edge high.

Real Fudge Cake

⅔ cup sugar
½ cup milk
1 slightly beaten egg
3 1-ounce squares unsweetened chocolate
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½ cup shortening
1 cup sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 eggs
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2 cups sifted cake flour
1 teaspoon soda
½ teaspoon salt
1 cup milk

In saucepan, combine ⅔ cup sugar, ½ cup milk, beaten egg, and chocolate. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, till chocolate melts and mixture comes just to boiling. Cool to room temperature. Stir shortening to soften. Gradually add 1 cup sugar, creaming together till light and fluffy. Add vanilla. Add remaining eggs, 1 at a time, beating well after each. Sift together dry ingredients. Add to creamed mixture alternately with 1 cup milk, beginning and ending with flour and beating after each addition. Blend in chocolate mixture. Bake in 2 paper-lined 9x1½-inch round pans in moderate oven (350°) 25 to 30 minutes or till done. Cool 10 minutes before removing from pans. Frost and fill cooled layers with Chocolate Frosting. Trim with curls of shaved unsweetened chocolate.

Chocolate Frosting

Mixer makes frosting light; for dark, satiny look, mix with spoon—

3 1-ounce squares unsweetened chocolate
⅓ cup butter or margarine
3 cups sifted confectioners' sugar
½ cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
¼ teaspoon salt

Melt chocolate and butter in double boiler or in small mixing bowl over hot water. Remove from heat. With electric mixer, blend in sugar, milk, vanilla, and salt. Frosting will be slightly thin so place bowl in ice water and beat till of spreading consistency. Frosts tops and sides of two 9-inch layers.

Tapioca Cream Pudding

Men are great pudding fans, and among their favorites is tapioca. Top each dish with tart currant jelly—

⅓ cup sugar
2 cups milk
3 tablespoons quick-cooking tapioca
Dash salt
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1 slightly beaten egg yolk
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1 teaspoon vanilla
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1 egg white

Reserve *2 tablespoons* of the sugar; combine remaining sugar with the milk, tapioca, and salt. Let stand 5 minutes. Add egg yolk. Bring mixture quickly to boiling over medium heat, stirring constantly. Remove from heat (mixture will be thin); add vanilla. Beat egg white to soft peaks. Slowly add reserved 2 tablespoons sugar, beating to stiff peaks. Gradually stir in the hot mixture. Chill. Spoon into sherbets. Makes 5 or 6 servings.

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Onion-spiked scrambled eggs team up with deviled ham, tomato, and cheese—

6 hamburger buns, split and toasted
1 4½-ounce can deviled ham

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4 eggs
¼ cup milk
¼ teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
¼ cup chopped green onions
2 tablespoons butter, margarine, or bacon drippings

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6 thin tomato slices
6 slices sharp process American cheese

Spread lower half of buns with deviled ham. Combine eggs, milk, salt, and pepper. Beat slightly for gold-and-white effect, thoroughly for all-yellow eggs. Add onions. Heat butter in skillet till just hot enough to make a drop of water sizzle. Pour in egg mixture. Reduce heat and cook, lifting and folding occasionally, till eggs are set, but still moist. Pile eggs atop deviled ham and add tomato and cheese slices. Place on cooky sheet; broil about 4 inches from heat *just* till cheese melts. Cover with bun tops. Makes 6.

Mrs. J. A. Satterfield, Fort Worth, Texas

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Cherry foursome

Cherry Creme Parfaits

So easy, you won't even need a recipe next time! Red-and-white layers create a spectacular dessert for Valentine's Day or Washington's Birthday—

1 cup whipping cream
3 tablespoons sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
Dash salt
1 cup dairy sour cream

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1 No. 2 can (2½ cups) cherry-pie filling

Whip cream with sugar, vanilla, and salt. Fold in the sour cream. Alternate layers of cherry filling and whipped-cream mixture in parfait or sherbet glasses, beginning with a red layer and ending with a white one. Top each with a single cherry. Chill till serving time. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

Susan Gamer, New York, New York

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Old-time Cherry Cobbler

- 1 No. 2 can (2½ cups) frozen pitted tart red cherries
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine
- 1½ cups packaged biscuit mix
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- ⅔ cup milk
- 1 tablespoon melted butter
- ½ cup sugar
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- ½ cup boiling water

Heat cherries to bubbling; stir in butter. Turn into 8x8x2-inch baking pan. Combine biscuit mix and 1 tablespoon sugar. Add milk and melted butter; beat. Spoon over *hot* cherries. Mix ½ cup sugar, the cornstarch, and cinnamon; sprinkle over batter. Pour boiling water over all. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 30 minutes or till done. Pass cream. Six servings. *Evelyn Heim, Traverse City, Michigan*



Cherry Cooky-Crisp

- 1 1-pound can (2 cups) pitted tart red cherries (water pack)
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- Red food coloring
- ⅓ cup sugar
- ½ teaspoon cinnamon
- 1½ cups vanilla-wafer crumbs
- ⅓ cup melted butter or margarine

Drain cherries, reserving 2 tablespoons juice. Mix cherries, reserved juice, lemon juice, and few drops food coloring. Pour into 10x6x1½-inch baking dish. Mix sugar and cinnamon; sprinkle over. Mix crumbs and butter; pat over cherries. Bake in hot oven (400°) 25 minutes or till done. Serve warm. Makes 5 servings.

Mrs. Harold L. Brewer, Davis, California



Red-letter Day Torte

Crust: Sift 2 cups sifted all-purpose flour and 1 teaspoon salt; cut in 1 cup shortening. Add 1 slightly beaten egg; stir till a soft dough. Pat over bottom of 11½x7½x1½-inch baking dish. Bake at 425° about 20 minutes. **Filling:** Drain one 1-pound can (2 cups) pitted tart red cherries (water pack), reserving juice. Add water to juice to make 1 cup. Combine juice with ¾ cup sugar, 3 slightly beaten egg yolks, 3 tablespoons quick-cooking tapioca, and ¼ teaspoon red food coloring; let stand 5 minutes. Cook and stir till mixture thickens and comes to boiling. Add cherries and 2 teaspoons lemon juice; cool slightly. **Meringue:** Beat 3 egg whites with 1 teaspoon vanilla, ¼ teaspoon cream of tartar, and dash salt till soft peaks form. Slowly add ¾ cup sugar, beating to stiff peaks. Fold in 1 cup broken walnuts. Pour Filling over baked crust; top with Meringue. Bake in moderate oven (350°) about 20 minutes or till lightly browned. Cool. Cut in 9 or 12 squares.

Mrs. Frank W. Kroeplin, Grand Rapids, Michigan



Corned-beef Stag Sandwiches

- 1 cup packaged biscuit mix
- 1 12-ounce can corned beef, chilled
- 1 tablespoon mayonnaise or salad dressing
- 1 tablespoon prepared mustard
- ½ cup pitted ripe olives, sliced
- 1 large tomato, thinly sliced
- 4 slices sharp process American cheese

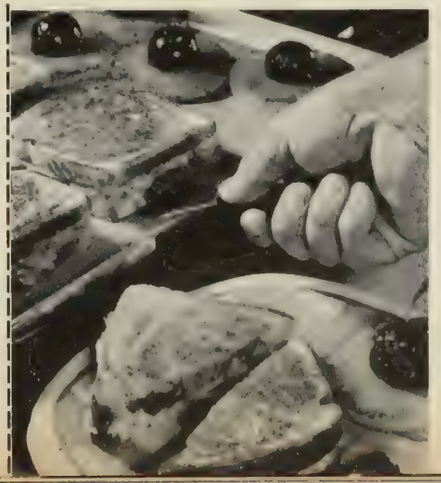
Prepare biscuit mix according to package directions for rolled biscuits. Roll to a 12x7-inch rectangle, about ⅜ inch thick. Place on ungreased baking sheet. Cut corned beef in 10 slices; arrange over dough. Mix mayonnaise and mustard; spread over meat. Sprinkle with olives. Bake in hot oven (425°) 10 minutes. Top with tomato slices, dash with freshly ground pepper. Halve cheese slices diagonally; arrange over tomatoes. Return to oven till cheese melts, about 5 minutes. Cut in 6 squares. *Mrs. W. M. Newman, Columbus, Ohio*



Chef's Salad in a Roll

Brown big brown-and-serve French rolls (about 8 inches long) according to package directions. Split rolls in half, but *not quite through*. (If you like, scoop out some of centers to make room for filling.) For *each* supersize sandwich, line bottom half of roll with romaine lettuce; drizzle with 1 teaspoon French dressing. Pile on slices of chicken; dash with salt, pepper. Add 1 or 2 slices boiled ham and Swiss cheese, halved to fit roll. Top with hard-cooked egg slices; salt. Cover with romaine and tomato slices; season. Drizzle with 2 teaspoons more dressing. Add roll tops, anchor with picks.

Mrs. R. Palmer Baker, Jr., New York, New York



Grilled Crab Sandwiches

- 1 6½- or 7½-ounce can (about 1 cup) crab meat, drained and flaked
- ½ cup shredded sharp process American cheese
- ¼ cup chopped celery
- 2 tablespoons drained sweet-pickle relish
- 2 tablespoons chopped green onions and tops
- 1 hard-cooked egg, chopped
- 3 tablespoons salad dressing or mayonnaise
- ½ teaspoon lemon juice
- ½ teaspoon prepared horseradish
- 10 slices bread, buttered generously
- 5 tomato slices

Combine first 9 ingredients; spread on *unbuttered* side of 5 bread slices. Add tomato slices; season with salt and pepper. Top with bread slices, buttered side up. Grill on griddle, sandwich grill, or in skillet till sandwiches are golden brown. Makes 5.

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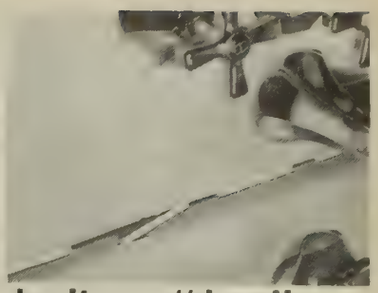
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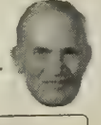
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IS YOUR MORTGAGE COSTING YOU TOO MUCH?

By Darrell Huff

Q *Payments on my 7-year-old mortgage now run $125 a month. That amount eats up so much of my take-home pay that I'm forced to let the regular maintenance slide. The house is getting run-down. How can I have my payments lowered?*

A You may be able to re-amortize your *present mortgage* to run for a longer period with lower payments.

Such arrangements ordinarily are not popular with lending agencies. But you have an unusually good case: a change that will keep your home properly maintained also offers protection for both you and the lender.

If your present mortgage carries a lower interest rate than those being written today, you will find it more difficult to re-amortize. If your rate is much higher than the current one, you might consider obtaining a brand-new mortgage—at today's rate.

The advantage of re-amortizing (if your lender will agree to it) is its simplicity. You avoid new loan fees and new title insurance costs. Your total interest cost will be greater, of course, because the repayment period is extended.

Q *My lending agency is not willing to extend the payment time on my mortgage. I am sure I'll have trouble meeting the payments in the years ahead. Is there anything I can do?*

A You may be able to refinance. This means getting an entirely *new mortgage*, either from the same lender or another one.

Q *I am considering getting a new mortgage in place of the one I have now. In what circumstances is refinancing possible?*

A The two major factors that would favor refinancing are an easing of the money market and the fact that you have a fair-sized equity.

How "tight" (scarce) money may be is something that varies from month to month and from one locality to another. In most areas during the past year, money has been more readily available at somewhat lower rates than previously.

Practically speaking, "equity" means how much more your house is worth than what you owe on it.

Normally you build up your equity as you pay off the principal on your mortgage. Improvements to your home add to your equity; just how much they add depends not so much on what they cost you as on how much they increase the total market value. Other things that help: appreciation in land values; general improvement in your neighborhood; wider public acceptance of any unusual features in your home, such as modern design or radiant heating.

Q *I am paying mortgage interest of 7 per cent. A neighbor tells me he has a 6-per-cent mortgage; he says this is a common rate now in our locality. Will it pay me to refinance if I can get this rate?*

A The difference of 1 percentage point is large enough to offer you a useful saving. It is a question of balancing the new closing costs you will incur against what you will save in interest.

Typically, closing costs run between $150 and $400. However, by watching certain details you may be able to reduce them substantially.

The largest cost is for new title insurance. Your policy may be one of those that permit "reissue" title insurance when the old policy has run less than 10 years. This can save you as much as half, but you may not get the reduction unless you ask.

Your new property survey may cost $25. This too can sometimes be cut about in half—if you have the same surveyor and he gives you simply a recheck.

Sometimes there is also a loan fee, which may include the cost of appraisal. There will also be legal fees and taxes.

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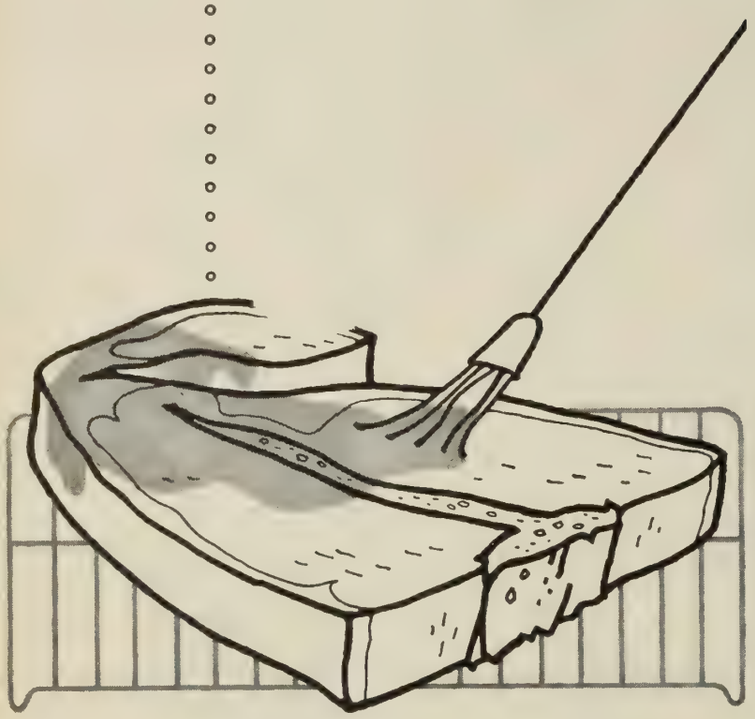
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Is your mortgage

How can I tell if refinancing will save me money?

A Find out all the new closing costs. Add on any prepayment penalty provided in your present mortgage. Add this total to the amount you now owe. Then find out what the new payments would be for a lower-interest mortgage scheduled to run to the same date as your present one. Here is an example.

Your 7 per cent mortgage for $10,000 requires an amortization (principal and interest) payment of $77.53 a month. It is a 20-year mortgage now 5 years old, and your balance is $8,620.

You find you can refinance at 6 per cent. Total closing cost to you turns out to be $280. To include this, your new mortgage must be for $8,900. A standard amortization table shows that to pay it off in 15 years, the monthly cost will be $75.11.

Thus you will save $2.42 each month for 15 years.

I can refinance my mortgage at a lower rate of interest. The difference is enough to pay the new closing costs and still reduce my monthly payments slightly. Are there any other advantages to refinancing? Or any disadvantages?

A There is one bonus to refinancing. Besides lowering the interest, you may be able to arrange more favorable terms while you're about it. For instance, you might arrange to cut your monthly payments even more, by extending the life of the loan—if this is desirable because of changes in your financial situation. Or you may be able to get an open-end provision, which is handy if you need money later on to improve your home.

The major disadvantage of refinancing is that the new closing costs added to your mortgage will increase its face amount. You will owe more after refinancing than before, even though the new interest rate will permit either lower or fewer payments to retire the loan.

If you should happen to sell the house within a few years, you'll have to convince the buyer that the lower rate makes it worth the added price—which it is *only* if he wants your mortgage.

Although my mortgage bears 7 per cent interest, I can't save enough by refinancing to make it worth-while. Is there any other way I can save on interest?

A Within the limits allowed by the terms of your mortgage, by all means *prepay* it as fast as you can afford to. Prepayment—making extra payments beyond those required by your lender—is equivalent to investing money safely at 7 per cent (an opportunity not easy to come by). The return on your investment will then take the form of an increased equity in your home and a mortgage retired sooner.

How should I go about making prepayments? Will they protect me later on if I am unable to meet one or more regular payments?

A Read your mortgage and consult the lender about the proper method for prepaying. You may be able to pay extra *monthly installments*—or perhaps only the *principal*. Sometimes you are required to give written notice 30 days ahead of time.

If your prepayments are of principal only, the lender *may* agree that these can be credited to any later principal payment that you are unable to make. This can help in an emergency, so try to make such an arrangement.

Here's something that's nice to know, even though it's no help at the moment. Most of this mortgage insurance money may well come back to you in the end, if FHA's rate of loss continues as low as it has so far. Today, for instance, if you were finishing up paying a 20-year FHA mortgage you'd had for at least 15 years, you would get a dividend of nearly everything you'd put into the mortgage-insurance premiums—several hundred dollars on even a rather modest mortgage.

I didn't have much cash to put up when I bought my house. So in addition to a 6 per cent first mortgage on it, I have a second mortgage bearing interest at 9 per cent. I can carry the payments easily enough. But I was astounded to learn how much I'll be throwing away on interest over the years. How can I reduce this?

A High-interest "seconds" are a common problem in some areas, particularly the West Coast. You'd be smart to pay off the second mortgage as fast as your income reasonably permits. Consult the lender first about amounts, dates, possible penalties for excessively fast pay-off, and whether he requires advance notice. If you have a source, such as a credit union, where you can now borrow at moderate interest, you may even find it profitable to get money this way to clean up a high-interest second mortgage quickly.

I am carrying first and second mortgages, both at 6 per cent. Just lately, I've accumulated some extra cash; should I invest it or use the money to pay on one of the mortgages?

A A second mortgage at such moderate interest was probably made available to you as an incentive to buy the house. Its value on the open market would be much less than the amount you owe. You may be able to pay off the mortgage holder for much less than the face value, thus saving on principal as well as interest. You'd find it very difficult to discover any safe investment that would pay you nearly so well.

I have been paying on first and second mortgages for several years, and improving my home at the same time. When the second mortgage runs out next year, I must make a final payment of $1,000 on it. What arrangements can I make to meet this?

A All your payments, plus the improvements, should have built

costing you too much?

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up your equity quite substantially. You may be able to get a new mortgage loan that will: (1) replace the present first mortgage; (2) cover the "balloon" payment of $1,000; and (3) take care of the new closing costs that come with refinancing.

If the interest rate available to you now is lower than that of the existing first mortgage, the difference may pay your extra costs in the long run. If refinancing means a higher interest rate, however, you should first make every effort to find another source for the money you need.

If you are able to make whole monthly payments in advance, you can try to get a similar agreement. Then each of these can take the place of any later full payment that you are unable to make.

Q *I have a 4½ per cent FHA mortgage. Should I make extra payments on it when I have the money to spare?*

A Many existing mortgages were written years ago when interest rates were much lower than they are now. Prepaying on one of these is a good use of your money, of course, but it may not be the best use.

Placing your extra money elsewhere—in an insured savings account, for instance—may give you about the same return. And you will still have the money available for other purposes if you should happen to need it.

Consider also whether you are likely to want to sell your house during the life of the mortgage. An existing loan at low interest can be an asset in making a sale. The buyer couldn't come close to duplicating it today.

Q *My mortgage payments aren't any particular problem to me now, but I see a crisis ahead. It will strike during the final five years of the mortgage when we'll probably have two children in college at the same time. Is there anything I can do?*

A Regular prepayments on your mortgage, beginning immediately, would be a good solution. You may find it feasible to retire the mortgage completely before the critical years come, preferably working out a systematic schedule with the lender right away.

Prepayment is also a good solution for people whose retirement, with its income reduction, is not far away. Given the right prepayment schedule, the mortgage and the homeowner are retired simultaneously!

Q *I want to put about $7,000 into a major bedroom and family-room addition to my home. Is it better to get the money by refinancing my present mortgage or by borrowing elsewhere?*

A If you can obtain a lower interest rate than your present mortgage bears, refinancing would be a good bet.

A new FHA plan launched late in 1961 may be your best answer. It provides for loans "to improve and preserve basic livability and utility of valuable existing property." Terms extend up to 20 years, and the maximum interest rate is 6 per cent plus ½ per cent FHA insurance premium. The amount may be as high as $10,000, so long as the total of new loan plus what you now owe on the property is not more than $25,000.

Q *Remodeling my kitchen and laundry will cost about $1,000 more than I have available. I have been paying for 5 years on a $12,850 FHA mortgage. Where can I get the money at lowest interest?*

A One source is an FHA home improvement loan; the interest rate will probably be about 9½ per cent. However, you may find the payments difficult to handle on top of your present mortgage, since the new loan must be paid off within 5 years.

If the lender agrees, you will probably prefer the open-end provision which has been permitted in FHA mortgages written since 1954. This simply means you may borrow, for improvements, an amount up to what you have so far paid on principal. (You can borrow *more* than you've paid in *if* the excess amount is used to add more living space.)

The new loan is simply added to the old one and paid off slowly over the life of the mortgage.

Q *I am falling behind on my mortgage payments. It's a good house, worth more than I owe on it, and I want to keep it. What can I do?*

A Talk to your lender. He should be glad to help you work out a schedule for getting the payments up-to-date. (He doesn't want a foreclosure on your home any more than you do.)

Normally by the time a payment is 10 days overdue, you'll be asked how come. On mortgages insured by FHA or VA, the lender is expected to help you work out a plan to catch up. He *may* wait almost a year under FHA rules before foreclosing, but he's likely to act sooner if the house is not being kept up well. VA allows a mortgage holder 3 months before giving official notice of intention to foreclose in 30 days.

You can see why foreclosures of insured mortgages are comparatively rare.

Q *A careful appraisal has led me to the conclusion that my house is now worth less than the amount I still owe on it. What would happen If I were simply to let it go for the mortgage?*

A If your house turns out not to be worth the indebtedness, you can be held for the difference. This has happened.

If yours is a VA mortgage, the agency will try to get the difference between the amount owed and fair market value. Its loss may be deducted from pensions or other benefits due you.

FHA will try to get its full loss.

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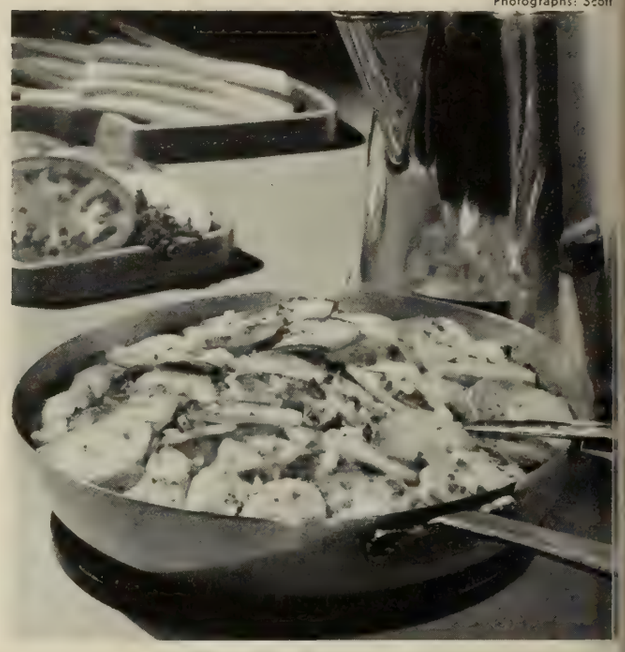
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Turn potatoes carefully. Cook uncovered 10 minutes more, turning occasionally to brown all sides. Last 5 minutes, sprinkle with ½ teaspoon oregano and 2 tablespoons *each* finely chopped celery, parsley, and onion. Salt and pepper to taste. Makes 4 servings.

What man could resist Fluffy Baked Potatoes? Bake them in hot oven (425°) 40 to 60 minutes. For soft skins, rub with fat; bake as is for crunchy skins. When spuds are done, roll under hands (use paper towels or potholder) to make mealy inside.

With fork, cut crisscross in each; press ends, push up to fluff. Offer toppers: crisp bacon bits, sliced green onions, Sour-cream Dressing: Blend ½ cup dairy sour cream, ¼ cup soft butter, and ½ teaspoon cheese-garlic salad dressing mix.





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I wonder how many other home gardeners are as confused as I am about the proper time to fertilize grass. They used to tell us to feed once in the spring and once in the fall; now they say to feed practically every month of the year. Who's right? ***C.G., Olympia, Washington***

One way to keep your turf the pride and joy of your neighborhood is to keep it thick and healthy—and that's where fertilizer enters the picture. Obviously, you can't feed every month of the year in the Puget Sound country, but feeding from late spring until early fall, while the grass is in active growing condition, *does* make sense. Elsewhere in the Pacific West, follow the same general rule. Remember that porous sandy soils will take more food than clay soils. Stagger the types of plant foods, too. Use pellet or granular type one time, next time make it a liquid.

Can you give us some tips on handling gardenias? ***Mrs. B.U., El Cajon, California***

Gardenias indoors are subject to bud drop and I don't like to recommend them as house plants. But in the warm dry zones in California and Arizona, they're easy to grow outdoors if you remember these five requirements: 1) Give them plenty of heat—against a warm southern wall if possible. They don't usually amount to much in cool, foggy belts. 2) They like plenty of moisture as long as the drainage is good. 3) They must have an acid soil—growing in pure peat or bark is an excellent idea. 4) They require regular feedings each month from February to September. 5) If the foliage yellows, it's an indication that iron chelates are needed. There are such products on the market; iron sulfate or sulfur also can be used.

I would like to grow gladiolus, but staking them is such a job. Any suggestions for other means of support? ***Mrs. F.W., Vancouver, British Columbia***

Try planting 18-24 corms in a 36-inch circle—they'll simply support each other.

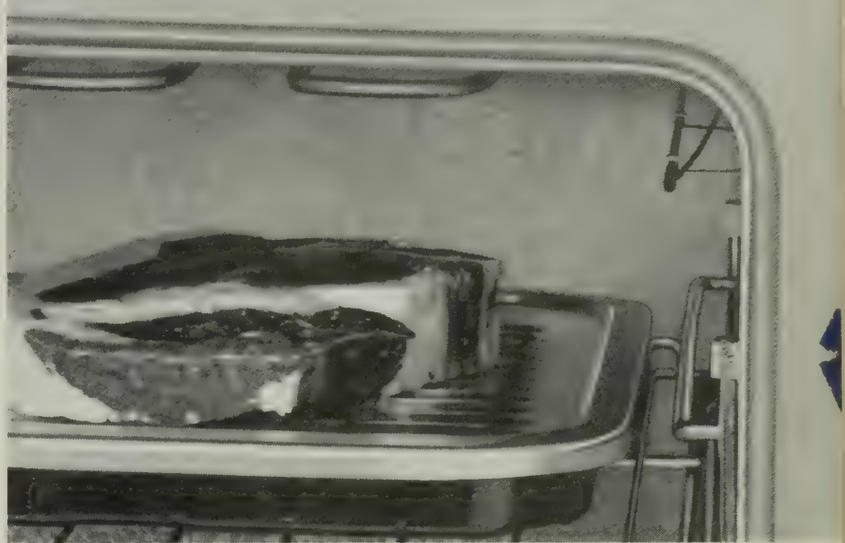
Camellia petal blight is appearing with alarming frequency the past couple of seasons here in Southern California. Your recommendations for control, please. ***Mrs. F.E.L., La Canada, California***

For the benefit of those who haven't been hit with this terrible scourge, flower blight acts like this: it appears first as small irregular brownish specks on the petals. During wet February weather, spots enlarge fast and spread over the entire flower. Final stages: the completely browned flower falls to the ground where the fungus continues to develop spores which continue the cycle of infection. One of the best ways of breaking the cycle is to practice sanitation. Pick all blossoms that show signs of being infected and burn immediately. It's also a good idea to spray-drench the soil and the plants with a modern fungicide. (*Turn to next page*)

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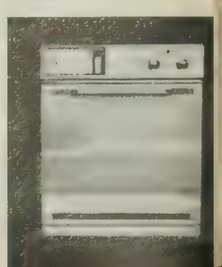
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Western gardening

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Our garden club has asked me to write you for the identity of the red rhododendron which seems to always bloom rain or shine, in San Francisco's Golden Gate Park in February. ***Mrs. T.A. McP., Palo Alto, California***

The big, bold-red blooms, which are sure traffic stoppers every February in the Park, belong to an old-time hybrid named Cornubia. I know it's an old-timer—for it was blooming faithfully when I was an apprentice under John McLaren more than 20 years ago. Incidentally, the garden club members may be interested in a few more sure-to-bloom-in-February rhododendrons: Cilpinense, buds open pink and usually fade to white or light pink; Racil, shell pink (a lanky grower which needs pruning in its early formative years); Bric-a-brac, white with dark brown anthers; Bo-Peep, a good yellow; and two species—*R. sutchuenense*, a pale rosy lilac; *R. ciliatum*, pure white.

If (as the old saying goes) amaryllis bulbs in pots don't like to be disturbed, how can I replenish that worn-out soil so the plants will grow better? ***W.R., Provo, Utah***

Try this: gently knock the bulb and root ball out of the pot. With a sharp kitchen knife, shave off some of the old soil. Scrub the pot and replant the bulb so that top half is above the surface of the soil; then poke fresh soil down between the root ball and the sides of the pot. A potting stick will help wedge soil in.

We hope to plant a lot of new roses this spring. Our time in the garden is limited. What type of rose would give us the most blossoms for our efforts?
Mrs. B.W.K., Idaho Falls, Idaho

I'd say the trend is toward the floribundas. That's because they produce so much color over such a long period and are useful in landscaping. Both the hybrid tea and the grandiflora classes are also recommended, and you'll probably want to include some in your garden plan. But for the best display, go in heavily for floribundas. The All-America winner for 1958 was a vivid scarlet one named Fusilier, and it seems to get more popular as the years go by. Among the new ones for '62 are Pink-A-Boo, an excellent silvery pink; Lilli Marlene, a beautiful dark, cherry red. It came from a noted German rose hybridizer—doesn't burn in Western climates. Check catalogues for older varieties, too.

Where can we find authoritative information on "artificial soil" of the same type used in the roof-top gardens of the famed Kaiser Center in Oakland?
S.W., Modesto, California

Easy—contact the people who started it all. You can buy a manual for $1.00 from the University of California's Publications Bureau at Berkeley. The title is "The U.C. System for Producing Healthy Container-Grown Plants." It sounds to me as if you are planning to substitute artificial soil mix to beat the strong alkali problem which so many face in the central valleys of California. A growing report from L. L. Brooks, the Modesto azalea grower, confirms that this is a pretty good idea.

Have a question? We'll be glad to answer it. All inquiries will receive individual replies. Send them to: Better Homes & Gardens, Garden Department, 8910-W, Des Moines 3, Iowa.

"Action in Education" Awards

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ACTION IN EDUCATION is a never-ending task. It must meet the challenges of rapid enrollment-growth, increased school costs, and the nation's need for an ever-higher quality of instruction.

A record 45 million students are enrolled in public and private schools (from kindergarten through senior high), an increase of 1.1 million over a year ago. And the U.S. Office of Education tells us that because of the high birth rate in most years since 1945, the end of the boom is not yet in sight.

Public elementary and secondary schools alone will spend nearly 6½ billion dollars during this school year, and more next year. Even with this huge investment, about *half of the nation's voters show no evidence of interest or participation in school affairs.*

Better Homes & Gardens' current ACTION IN EDUCATION program is designed to encourage *everyone* to participate in our educational processes. For the second year in a row, in co-operation with the National Education Association and the National School Boards Association, we are honoring meritorious school projects from throughout our 50 states.

Special citations have been presented to the individuals or organizations most responsible for the success of these projects. The following examples demonstrate some important trends we've found at America's educational grassroots.

Team teaching in Decatur, Ill. New teaching methods are bringing Decatur's taxpayers more for their education-salary dollars. Instructors at the Lakeview Junior-Senior high school work as members of "teaching teams" that have turned several educational traditions upside-down.

Under the team concept, several staff members co-operate to teach one subject. Each team is headed by two certified teachers. One directs the subject program, lectures to large classes, and supervises the evaluation of students. The other teacher works with small discussion groups, guides students on projects, and assists with the general instruction.

A third member of the team—the instructional aide, who may or may not be a certified teacher—corrects papers and helps produce graphic aids and other teaching materials.

A non-certified clerk types reports, duplicates materials, and takes attendance—usually for several teams at once. A fifth team member, the general aide, is responsible for student control in the halls and a number of miscellaneous administrative and extra-curricular duties.

As a result, Lakeview High's professional teachers are free to devote full time to their primary responsibility—better teaching.

School design in Wayne, N.J. At Schuyler-Colfax junior high school in Wayne, teachers—the people most directly concerned with the problem of quality education—were asked to help design their new school building. Partly as a result of their ideas, each brick at Schuyler-Colfax does the work of two.

The most unusual new design at the school is the *classroom cluster*, a group of four rooms arranged around a central quadrangle. This central area contains a small reference library and tables for individual or small-group work, plus display and storage facilities. A system of folding doors makes the central room available to any desired grouping of classes. There are three such clusters in the New Jersey school.

According to Superintendent of Schools Dr. John H. Martin, the Wayne school has a capacity of 900 students in a floor space 25 percent smaller than a school of standard design and construction.

Language labs in Shalimar, Fla. Ten years ago language laboratories were almost unheard of in our public schools. Today, they come equipped with tape recorders, earphones, playback equipment, individual sound booths for each student, and control equipment for the teacher. Language labs are a tremendous help in turning out linguists, but they're costly, too—the average one contains more than $12,000 worth of equipment.

Yet, in Shalimar, Florida, students and teachers at Choctawhatchee high school worked with Vitro Laboratories, Inc., to install a fully-equipped lab for under $350. Students built 30 booths during their vacation time. Vitro employees, during their free time, drew up a master diagram for wiring and with volunteer help and salvage

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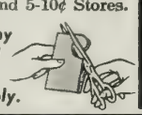
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materials (except for 31 microphone and head sets and a reconditioned amplifier and tape recorder system) put the lab in order.

In praise of the lab equipment, the high school's German-language teacher Martha Holman says many of her students "have reached second-year status at the end of their first year."

Reorganization in Oregon. In 1957, there were 47 school districts in Lane County, Oregon, providing education for approximately 30,000 children.

Today, there are 18 economically operating districts in the county offering 40,000 youngsters greater educational opportunities.

"Several kinds of districts existed," School Superintendent Dale P. Parnell recalls. "Each one had its own set of policies, and there was a duplication of functions by neighboring schools.

"Then, too, the taxable wealth for school support was unequally distributed throughout the county.

In 1957, it ranged from $4,500 per child in one district to $143,000 per child in another. Today, the countywide variation is only from $10,500 to $53,700."

English program in Pittsburgh. In the fall of 1960, Westinghouse Junior-Senior high school began an experimental English program calling for students in grades 7 through 12 to write a theme every week. Nine additional English teachers were hired, to reduce their daily student load to about 125 (Pittsburgh's other 12 high schools average 175 pupils per English teacher).

Already the school is beginning to reap benefits from the stepped-up program. Its students won a first, a second, and an honorable mention in the 1961 National Senior Scholastic Writing Awards contest sponsored by *National Scholastic* magazine. Westinghouse was the only Pittsburgh school to win, and the only school in the nation to capture more than one award.

New labs in Jersey City, N.J. Jersey City's high schools now boast four of the most modern and best-equipped chemistry laboratories in the country.

The labs, however, weren't built overnight. They began as a goal of the progressive and enlightened board of education. Wanting to give Jersey City children the best preparation possible in the sciences, the board started an educational information program aimed at the taxpaying public.

The result: passage of a $92,000 bond issue for new chem labs in the city's four high schools. The money, along with $68,500 allocated through the National Defense Education Act, completed the most extensive school science undertaking in Jersey City in more than a generation.

"This project has been a major morale builder," says Dr. R. Robert Rosenberg, the school board's educational consultant. The new equipment has been a boon to our students and teachers.

Science seminars in El Paso. High school science seminars are receiving a great deal of attention all across the country. The El Paso, Texas, public schools, for example, are taking part in a two-year pilot project of the U.S. Office of Education to study high school science programs—and, at El Paso, there's plenty to study.

Tenth grade students who wish to participate in the El Paso science seminars are given a battery of tests to see whether they can profit by three years of advanced work. This severe competition and training has already produced a number of distinguished students.

Terry Henderson—while a high school junior and seminar member—was selected by the Schellenger Laboratories at Texas Western College to replace a college scientist on a summer National Aeronautics and Space Agency project.

Robin Gushurst, also as a junior, prepared a paper entitled "Designing a Simple Game Computer"; it was the first article written by a high school student ever to appear in the *Instrument Society of America Journal*.

Educational TV in Oklahoma. Educational television has come of age in Oklahoma City, where the schools now have even a mobile TV unit and kinescope machine. The wealth of experience and equipment makes possible large television classes on both the elementary and secondary level.

Some classes are taught by a single teacher assisted by a non-certified aide; others, using the team approach, employ an experienced teacher, a new teacher, and a student teacher.

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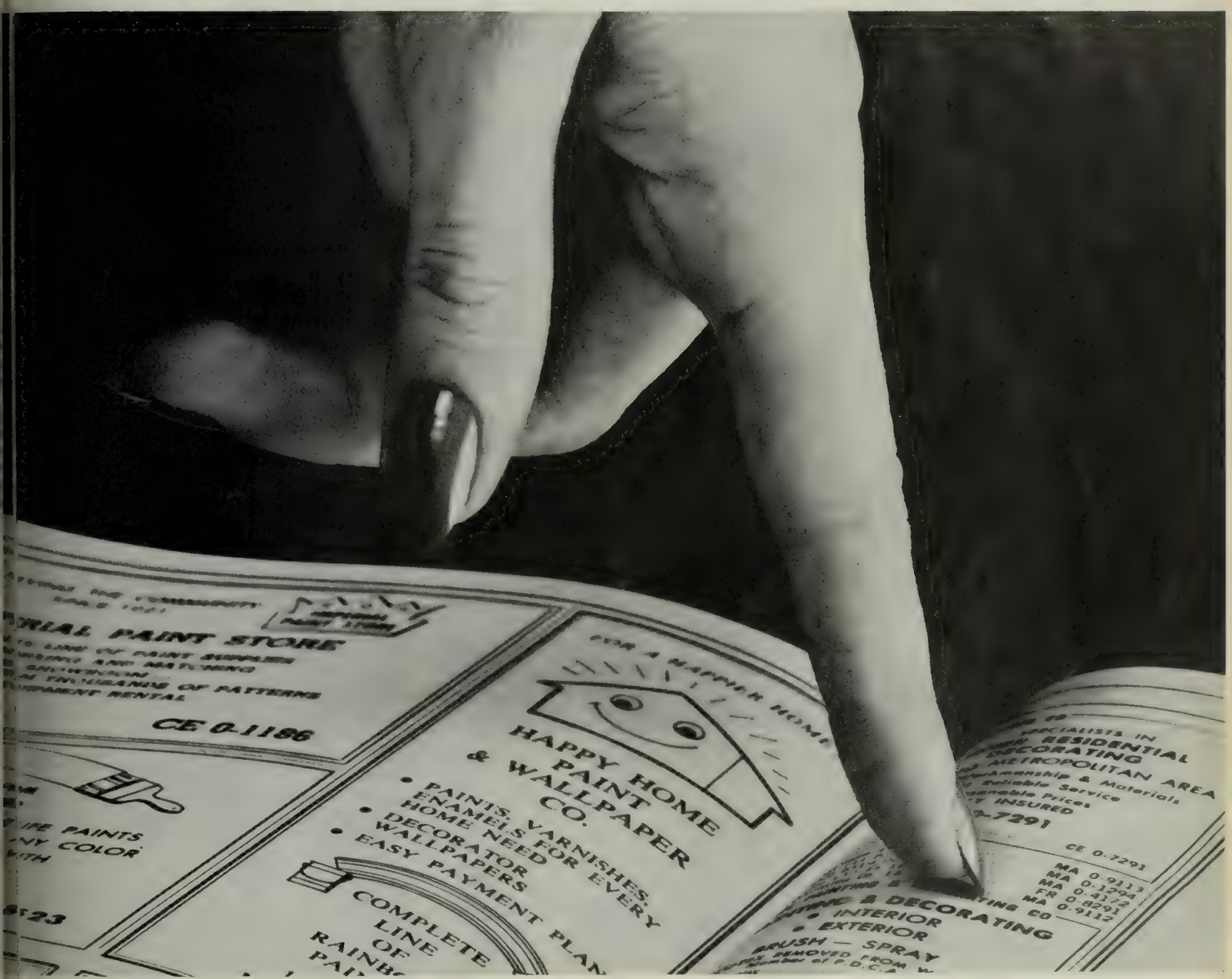
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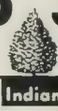
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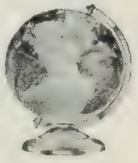
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Let the mound cure 8-10 days, then remove dowels and scoop out potato (*right*) with a spoon. The holes made by dowels will allow water to drain. For planting soil use a mix of half leaf mold or compost and half sand. Be sure the soil mix is moist before using. The rock will be much more attractive if live moss is placed on it.

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Division Winners in the *Additions* and *Interiors Divisions* will each be awarded an *American-Standard deluxe food waste disposer (Sovereign model no. AS-205)*, installation costs excluded.

Andersen Corporation
Qualifying Winners in all Divisions who use *Andersen Windows* in their home improvement project will receive a refund of the retail cost of those *Andersen products* used.

Azrock Floor Products
Division of Uvalde Rock Asphalt Company
All Division Winners will receive a cash refund of the purchase price of any of these products used in their winning entries: *Vina-Lux vinyl asbestos tile*, or *Azrock asphalt tile*.

Benjamin Moore & Company
Best-of-Contest Winners who used *Benjamin Moore Paint* in their winning project will receive a refund of the purchase price of the paint used. Winners must show suitable evidence of the 1962 purchase and use of *Benjamin Moore & Company paints* in their winning projects.

Better Homes & Gardens Books
The 96 *Qualifying Winners* will receive their choice of any one of the *BH&G Books*.
The 12 *Division Winners* will receive a set of three *BH&G Books—Decorating Book, Handyman's Book, Garden Book*.
Best-of-Contest Winners (1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes) will receive a *Better Homes & Gardens True-To-Life Globe*.
Bonus Award. Any winner that submits proof of purchase of the new revised edition of *the Better Homes & Gardens Decorating Book* during the Contest period will be awarded a complete set of 22 *Better Homes & Gardens Idea Books*.

Bird & Son Roofing & Siding, Inc.†
First Prize Winner (Best-of-Contest) will receive a cash refund of the purchase price of *Bird Seal Shingles* (materials only) if used in their winning entry.
†Corollary prize offer is made to all entrants except those residing in the following states: Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah and Washington.

Bridgeport Brass Co.
Hunter Douglas Division
Flexalum Patio Aluminum Awnings. Best-of-Contest Winners and/or *Exterior Division Winners* will receive full refund of purchase price up to $1,000 when they use a *Flexalum Patio Aluminum Awning* (or window awnings) in their home improvement projects.

C. L. Bruce Company
All *12 Division Winners* who use *Bruce Wall Paneling* or *Prefinished Flooring* in their winning entry will be refunded the purchase price of the paneling and flooring.

Carrier Air Conditioning Company
Best-of-Contest Winners will receive a *Carrier climate center* completely installed free of charge if a *Carrier year round Weathermaker System* is used in their winning project. Winners must show evidence that their system was purchased during 1962.

The Celotex Corporation
The 9 *division winners* in the 3 classifications (*Interiors, Additions, Kitchen and Utility Rooms*—will receive cash refund covering the cost of *Celotex Hush-Tone acoustical tile*, if used in their winning entries.

Crane Company
Best-of-Contest Awards
1st Prize Winner will receive a cash refund equal to the retail cost of any 1962 purchase of *Crane bathroom, "heating* or *air conditioning" products* if used in the winning entry.
2nd Prize Winner will receive a cash refund equal to the retail cost of any 1962 purchase of *Crane "bathroom* or *heating" products* if used in the winning entry.
3rd Prize Winner will receive a cash refund equal to the retail cost of any 1962 purchase of *Crane "bathroom" products* if used in the winning entry.
Winners must show suitable evidence of purchase and use in winning entry.

Delco Appliance
Division of General Motors Corporation
The *First Prize Winner* (Best-of-Contest) who has installed a *GM-Delco heating system* in his winning entry during 1962 will receive a free *GM-Delco air conditioning unit* up to five ton. If both *GM-Delco heating and air conditioning* have been installed during 1962, the retail price of the air conditioning (equipment only) will be refunded.

Ekco Products Company
Best-of-Contest Winners will be presented with these stainless steel cooking utensils:
First Prize Winner—12-piece *Master Deluxe Flint Stainless Steel Cookware Set*.
Second Prize Winner—11-piece *Flint Stainless Steel Cookware Homemaker's Set*.
Third Prize Winner—9-piece *Flint Stainless Steel Cookware Family Set*.
Kitchen-Utility Division Winners will be presented with a G-2488 *Flint Cook & Serve 7-piece Counter "Susan Holdster" Set*.

The Formica Corporation
Kitchen-Utility A, B, C, Division Winners using *Formica laminated plastics* in their winning entry each will receive an additional $500 in prize money.

Friedrich Refrigerators, Inc.†
Contest Winners will receive the purchase price of their *Friedrich home air conditioning products* when used in their winning entry.
†Corollary prize offer will be confined to those entrants residing in the following states: Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas.

Frigidaire Appliances
Kitchen and Utility Rooms Project Division
Best-of-Contest Awards
If you win *1st Prize*, product costs will be refunded on any or all of the following 1962 *Frigidaire products* purchased: *Refrigerator, Range, Food Freezer, Washer and Dryer*, or *Room Air Conditioner*.
If you win *2nd Prize*, product costs will be refunded on any or all of the 1962 *Frigidaire Appliances* purchased mentioned above except the *Washer and Dryer*.
If you win *3rd Prize*, product costs will be reimbursed on any or all of the following 1962 *Frigidaire products* purchased: *Refrigerator, Range, Washer* or *Dryer*.
Top Three Division Winners
If you win one of the top three Division prizes in the *Kitchen-Utility Division*, product costs will be refunded on either a 1962 *Frigidaire Refrigerator* or *Range* purchased. Only one prize awarded per winner.
Final winners of *Best-of-Contest* Awards will not be eligible for *Division Prize* awards.
Winners must produce satisfactory evidence of their product purchase and cost.

General Electric Company
Major Appliance Division
If you win any one of the three *Kitchens and Utility Rooms Division $500 prizes* and you have used a *1962 Model General Electric refrigerator, freezer, range, washer, dryer, dishwasher*, or *food waste disposer* as a part of your winning entry, the *Major Appliance Division* of *General Electric Company* will refund your actual purchase price. Please save your sales slips (installation costs are not included).

Glidden Company
Best-of-Contest Winner whose winning entry is in the *Exterior Division* will receive the following prizes from the *Glidden Company:*
1. A free decorating and color-styling recommendation for FIVE rooms, consisting of a choice of 3 color schemes for each room with color suggestions for walls, woodwork, drapery fabrics, upholstery fabrics and accents all built around the color of the floor covering, plus a guide for buying articles of furniture and furnishings showing the basic designs for seven different styles of decorating that are popular today. 2. Five gallons of *SPRED SATIN* the original 100 percent latex finish for interiors. Choice of colors. 3. Five quarts of *SPRED LUSTRE* semi-gloss enamel in colors to match the *SPRED SATIN*. 4. Three gallons of ceiling flat white *SPRED SATIN*. 5. One *"Handi-Dad" Kit* containing one quart *Rustmaster Primer* for metal, one quart of *Rustmaster Enamel metal finishing coat* (choice of colors), one can of *Japalac Spray Enamel*—aluminum, one can of *Japalac Spray Enamel*—gold, one can of *Japalac Spray Enamel*—clear, one can of *Silicone Slick Spray*, one quart of *Xpert Wood Finish* and one-half pint of *Spred Patch*. 6. One plastic drop cloth. 7. One 4 inch *Spred brush*. 8. One roller and tray set. 9. One 2 inch enamel brush.

Gulistan Carpet
Qualifying Winners in *Interior Division* will receive refund of purchase price of any *Gulistan Carpet* used, *up to 20 square yards*, exclusive of padding and installation.
Interiors Division Winners will receive refund of purchase price of any *Gulistan Carpet* used, *up to 30 square yards*, exclusive of padding and installation.
Best-of-Contest Winners: *3rd prize*—refund of purchase price of any *Gulistan Carpet* used, *up to 40 square yards*, exclusive of padding and installation; *2nd prize*—refund of purchase price of any *Gulistan Carpet* used, *up to 50 square yards*, exclusive of padding and installation.
First Prize Winner will receive *full refund* of purchase price of *all Gulistan Carpet* used, exclusive of padding and installation. Winners must show suitable evidence of purchase price and actual use of *Gulistan Carpet*.

The Hoover Company
To *Best-of-Contest Winners*, the *Hoover Company* will make the following awards:
First Prize—Hoover Convertible Cleaner with attachments, *Hoover Shampoo-Polisher*, and *Hoover Electric Floor Washer*.
Second Prize—Hoover Convertible Cleaner with attachments and *Hoover Floor Washer*.
Third Prize—Hoover Convertible Cleaner with attachments.
Each of the 12 *Division Winners* will be awarded a new *Hoover Electric Floor Washer*.

Hotpoint
Division of General Electric Company
If you are one of the 96 *Qualifying Winners*, 12 *Division Winners* or 3 *Best-of-Contest Winners*, *Hotpoint* will be pleased to refund to you the cost (average retail price) ‡ of any of these 1961 or 1962 "Satisfaction Guaranteed" *Hotpoint Appliances* used in your winning entry: *Cabinet Ranges, Town & Country Ranges, Built-In Ovens, Built-In Surface Units, Dishwashers, Disposalls, Washers, Dryers, Water Heaters* and *Electric Baseboard Heat System*.
‡If you prefer, you may select any *Hotpoint Appliance* of comparable cash value.
Bonus Awards. If winners use *any 3* of the above *Hotpoint Appliances, Hotpoint* will also award the following: $1,000 Savings Bonds to *Best-of-Contest Winners*, $500 Savings Bonds to *Division Winners* and $200 Savings Bonds to *Qualifying Winners*.
(Attention Kitchen Contractors: If one of the above *Bonus Winners* buys three *Hotpoint Appliances* from you, *Hotpoint* will award you a DA35-C *Dishwasher*.)

In-Sink-Erator Manufacturing Company
In-Sink-Erator Garbage Disposers
All 24 *Winners* in the *Kitchen-Utility Division* using *In-Sink-Erator Garbage Disposers* will receive cash in the amount of the published retail price of the *In-Sink-Erator product* used. Evidence of purchase, with model number of unit purchased, must be submitted to *In-Sink-Erator Manufacturing Company*.

Johns-Manville
Best-of-Contest Winners will receive a cash refund of the retail purchase price of any of the following products if used in their winning entries: *J-M Asbestos Roof Shingles, J-M Standard or Seal-O-Matic Asphalt Shingles, J-M Strongbord or Weathertite Sheathing, J-M Rock-Shake or Aluminum Siding, J-M Spintex or Fiber Glass Home Insulation, J-M Decorative or Acoustical Ceiling Panels, J-M Gypsum Wallboard, J-M Terraflex or Asphalt Tile Flooring, J-M Corrulux Translucent Building Panels*. Winners must show suitable evidence of purchase and use in winning entry.

Kelvinator
Best-of-Contest Winners (1st, 2nd and 3rd) and to *Winners* of the *Kitchen and Utility Rooms Division: Kelvinator* offers to refund the purchase price of any one of the following *Kelvinator major appliances* used as part of the winning entries: *electric refrigerator, electric range* (either freestand or built-in), *food freezer, electric washer, electric dryer, room air conditioner* and *dishwasher*.
Refunds will not include any installation cost of the appliances. Satisfactory evidence of the purchase price paid must be submitted.

Kimberly-Clark Corporation
Qualifying winners in the *Interiors* and *Kitchen & Utility Rooms Divisions* who use any type of *Marvalon Decorative Coverings* (shelf lining, drawer lining or adhesive covering) will receive a cash refund equal to the retail price of the *Marvalon* involved. Winners must show proof of purchase during 1962 and use in prize-winning project.

Kirsch Company
Division Winners in the *Interiors, Additions, and Kitchen and Utility Rooms Divisions* will receive refund of the purchase price of any *Kirsch Drapery Hardware* purchased in 1962 and used in the winning entries.

Kohler Company
Plumbing Fixtures Division
Best-of-Contest Winners (first, second and third prizes) will receive a cash award equal to the cost of fixtures and fittings for a complete *Kohler bathroom*, or *powder room*, or *kitchen and utility* or *laundry room. Kohler fixtures* and *fittings* must have been used in winning the improvement projects.

Marsh Wall Products, Inc.
Division Winners in the *Interior, Addition*, and *Kitchen-Utility Divisions* will receive a refund equal to the purchase price of *Marlite paneling* used in their winning entries.

The Masonite Corporation
Best-of-Contest Winners in 1) *Interior Remodeling*, 2) *Exterior Remodeling*, 3) *Room Addition* categories will be refunded the full retail purchase price of *Masonite* brand products used in their project entry. Winners must produce satisfactory evidence of purchase of genuine *Masonite Royalcote, Peg-Board, Seadrift sidings* or *underlayment*.

National Gypsum Company
To the *Best-of-Contest* Winner: *The National Gypsum Company*, manufacturer of *Gold Bond Building Products*, will award a cash prize equivalent to the retail value of any *Gold Bond Building Products* used in the Winner's entry. This does not include the cost of installation.
The National Gypsum Company will also award an equivalent amount to the Dealer who sells the *Gold Bond Building Products* to the Winner.

Libbey Division of Owens-Illinois
All Division Winners will be presented with a gift boxed set of *Libbey Glassware*.

Progress Manufacturing Co., Inc.
Best-of-Contest Winners (1st, 2nd and 3rd) will receive refunds of prices paid for *Progress lighting fixtures* used in winning projects. Installation costs are not included.

Rit Tints and Dyes
A top value nationally advertised washing machine to each of the *Three Division Winners* in the *Kitchen and Utility Division*.

Simpson Timber Co.
All *Division Winners* will receive refund of purchase price of all *Simpson products* including plywood, doors, acoustical and insulating board and redwood products if used in their winning entries. Suitable proof of purchase must be provided.

Skelly Oil Company†
Qualifying Winners in *Interiors Division* who have specified *Skelgas* as home heating fuel in their project will receive $50 cash bonus. *Division Winners* in *Interiors Division* who have specified *Skelgas* as home heating fuel in their project will receive an additional $100 cash bonus. *Best-of-Contest Winners*, if from *Interiors Division*, who have specified *Skelgas* as home heating fuel in their project will receive an additional $100 cash bonus.
†Corollary prize offer will be confined to those entrants residing in the following states: Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

True Temper
If you are one of the 12 *Division Winners*, and can show sales receipt or other evidence of purchase of any *True Temper hammer* during 1962, you will be awarded a *9-piece set of modern True Temper garden tools*.

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Product of U. S. Rubber Company
Interior and Addition Division winners who use *Naugahyde* or *Naugaweave vinyl fabrics* for re-upholstering furniture or as wall covering in their winning entry will be refunded the full retail purchase price of the *Naugahyde* or *Naugaweave fabric* used. Winners must show suitable evidence of purchase and use in winning entry.

U. S. Plywood Corporation
All Division Winners will be reimbursed for the cost of *U. S. Plywood Weldwood* products used in their winning entry, plus an equivalent amount in cash. Winners must show suitable evidence that products used are *Weldwood*.

**Where merchandise awards are offered, a validated sales slip or other suitable evidence will be required.*

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BETTER HOMES 1962 HOME IMPROVEMENT CONTEST

PLANNING SERIES No. 6

KITCHENS--UTILITY

Wondering how you can give your old kitchen a lift? Whatever your plans, spot remodeling or complete overhaul, you'll find a new face for the kitchen is a spirit booster for the whole family. You've probably started making notes already. Here are guides to help.

Suggested space allotments

For every center, a 4-foot aisle in front of appliances, between counters insures full access.

KITCHEN

Refrigerator-mixing—Latch side of appliance door opens to serve adjoining 3- to 4½-foot counter; have a lower mixing counter 32 inches high.

Sink-preparation-cleanup—This includes the sink plus 3 feet to the right for stacking dishes, preparing vegetables. Add 2 feet to left of sink for draining dishes. Adding a dishwasher later? A 24-inch cabinet here reserves a spot for it.

Range-serve—Cooking top or range plus 1½ to 2 feet of heatproof counter for landing hot pans. Minimum counter each side is 9 inches.

Eating—For dining comfort, plan 24 inches of table or counter per person. Don't forget to allow enough for moving chairs, serving. Here, you'll need 2½ feet of clearance around the edge of the counter or table you choose.

UTILITY

LAUNDRY

Sorting-pretreating—Sink plus 2 to 3 feet of counter; include hamper, shelves for supplies.

Appliances—For a pair, allow 50 to 60 inches; for combinations, 27 to 30; storage above.

Ironing-folding—A 5-foot width of work surface is excellent. (Could be a planning desk or top of laundry appliances.) A 4-foot floor width is minimum for ironing table or ironer.

GENERAL

Sewing spots require 5 feet for smallest built-in. Closet for cleaning supplies rates 1½ to 3 feet. Planning desks should be at least 18 inches wide.

Laundry sink can double for flower arranging. Freezer adapts to various locations. Consider extras for special spots, as mudroom near door.

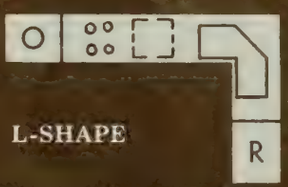
A TREND TO COMPACT WORK CENTERS

The secret of its success is a continuous line of appliances linked by counter and cabinets unbroken by traffic lanes or doorways. For the right-handed, work usually flows right to left: refrigerator, sink, dishwasher, and range.

KITCHENS

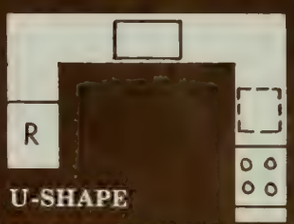


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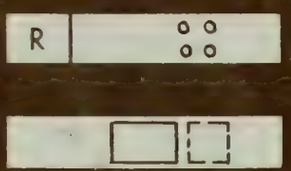


L-SHAPE

End cabinet clears adjoining wall extensions, window sill, radiator. When possible, 12 to 15 inch counter separates cooking top, oven.



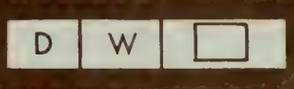
U-SHAPE



CORRIDOR

If dishwasher is located around corner from sink, allow standing room between for loading. Counter width separates range from doorway.

UTILITY

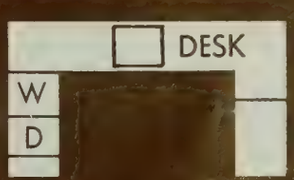


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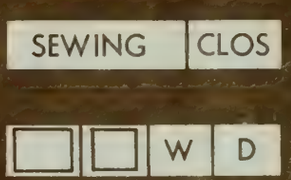


L-SHAPE

Works well right to left: sink, washer, dryer, then folding. Sink 12 inches from wall gives elbowroom; corner-angled, gains folding space.



U-SHAPE



CORRIDOR

Careful space planning makes way for ironer, freezer, desk. If there are two facing walls, have one for laundry, second for sewing spot.

Turn page for storage and counter ideas that can be used with variety of plans.

KITCHENS–UTILITY

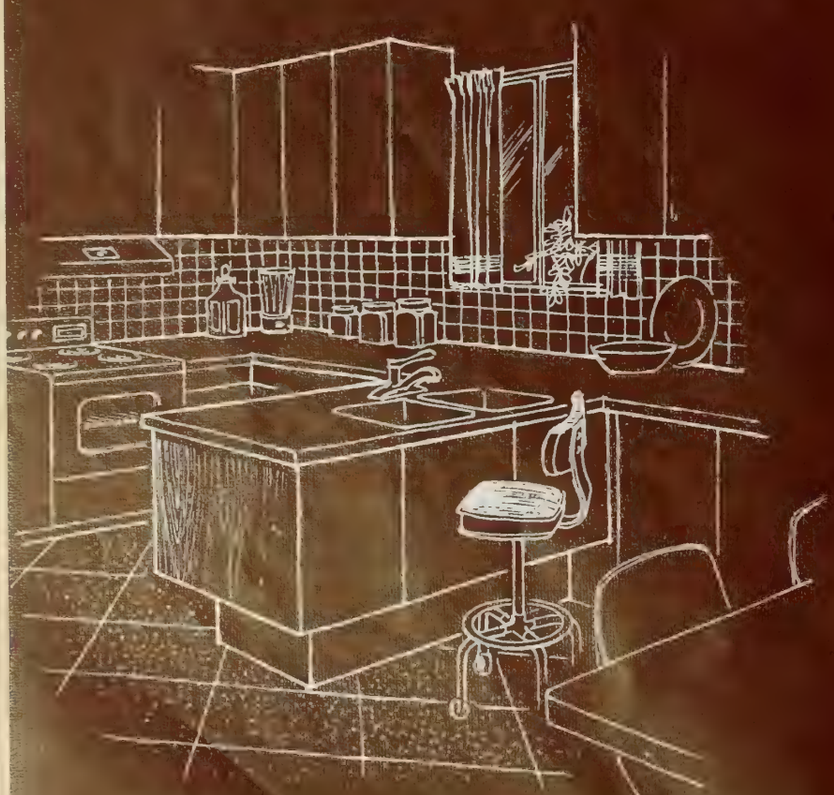
PLANNING SERIES No. 7



Angles carry counters beyond walls, slant cooking top to sink, hide refrigerator back of panel "wall."



Divider adds an extra wall of storage to open kitc plans, screens meal-making from eating spot.



Peninsula subdivides "long line" kitchens with individual work corners, paves the way for step-saving and smoother serving.

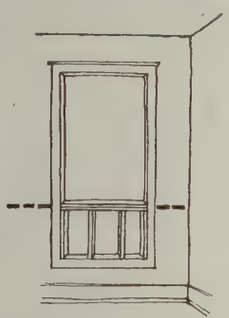


Island is a handy mid-kitchen link to neighb counter; if lightweight, add casters for mobili

The quickest way to uncover your kitchen's space potential is to run a fast check of the problem areas. Combine this list with the pet ideas you've been saving for the day you remodel your kitchen; then window-shop for the furnishings and the materials that will make your dream kitchen a reality. Here's where to begin.

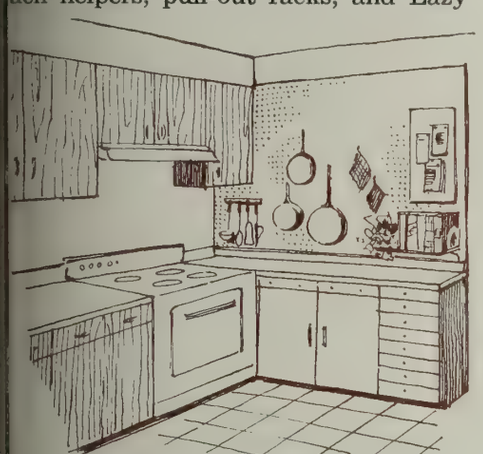
Count doorways, the fewer the better. Close up "extras." Eliminate walls between kitchen and any little-used rooms.

Update windows. Tall, low-set ones can be replaced with shorter style set above the backsplash. Install a new sillsill; trim side jambs of the old sash. In sketch, old window is fitted with false wood sill, boosted to new counter height. If you prefer, add a planter down to sill.

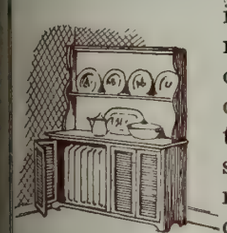


Recover wasted walls with a pin-up storage panel, which puts tight spaces between counter and cabinets to work.

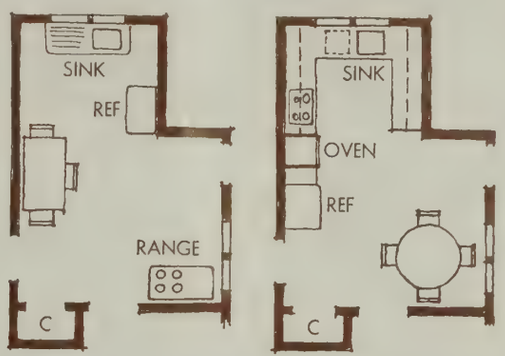
Convert clumsy corners with easy-to-reach helpers, pull-out racks, and Lazy Susans. If you choose a smaller width range to replace your old one, take advantage of precious extra inches next to the wall for cooking center work top and elbowroom. If doorway is set too close to corner, it may be robbing your counter space. Explore the possibilities of moving so there is at least 27 inches of corner wall—you'll uncover another bonus. If possible, have door swing out of kitchen.



Disguise radiators, registers by building them into your new plan. Continue counter and short cabinet over a register to save valuable space. Hide an old radiator back of grill doors, add a reflector behind and below to throw heat through grill. Back reflector with asbestos. Surround radiator with matching doors.



Rearrange appliances to gain a new work center efficiency. Consider which appliances you will keep, which you want to add. Preshop and measure the new appliances best for you and your family. Built-ins or combinations well chosen can give small kitchens a big kitchen look.



Trade pantry, hallway, or porch for your roomy new kitchen eating spot. If small, snack counter and chairs may fit better than a table. These areas could also be a sewing spot or laundry area.

Note plumbing. It'll pay to try to use the present location and develop your kitchen plan from there. However, to get the best possible arrangement, it may be necessary to move it. Laundry could be placed near by. Include adjustable shelves and inside organizers for cabinets, and helpers for special storage problems: cutlery, dry vegetables, cooking utensils.

Know ventilation requirements you'll need. Fans can be installed on walls, windows, ceilings, or in cabinets. If adding an indoor barbecue, check for special equipment which has extra power advantages.

Plan for wiring. Consider the location of every appliance you have and want; plan special-purpose outlets accordingly. At least one duplex convenience outlet should be provided for every four feet of work top.

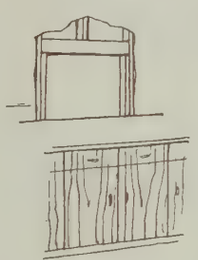
Select floor coverings and ceilings with care. Many patterns and materials continue in muted colors, but new brighter colors are appearing. Texture and a sprinkling of gold brings a new richness to many hard-surfaced kitchen materials.

Structural bugaboos can become important show spots. Massive chimney can become decorative wall, or exposed pipes and ducts can be built in. It's a natural divider for an independent serving center. Cooking gear or barbecue corner makes an attractive addition to the kitchen line-up. Extend the effect of the chimney with a textured brick wall covering. Ceiling support beams and posts can come in for their share of beauty as partial dividers.



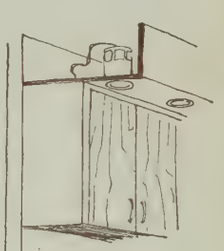
No matter where you serve your meals, have enough counter-top area for both setting and clearing your table. Some plastic laminates have been color-keyed to new floorings; others have been planned to match or blend with appliances now on the market. Don't overlook the possibilities of other types of counters either. Marble, stainless steel, ceramic tile, and maple all have specific advantages. A combination of two or more types is worth considering. Many owners install one section of maple and one of heat-resistant surfacing by the cooking area. Laminated plastic makes an excellent kitchen work counter and is an easy-to-clean surface for walls.

Cut a pass window between kitchen, eating areas to save steps. Set between wall studs and frame opening 18 to 24 inches high. A handyman can handle this project with ease. Add a counter to eating-area side of wall to speed serving. For kitchen privacy, you may want to add a shutter.



Highlight soffits for a nice finishing addition to the kitchen. Plywood, plastic, or tile face can replace material usually used. Choose the one that best complements your particular style of decorating. Grooved plywood blends with wood cabinets, accents colored cabinets. Mosaic tile over hardboard or plywood is easy to install. Translucent plastic panels, either plain or textured, are especially effective when illuminated from behind. Frame for easy access to fluorescent tubes.

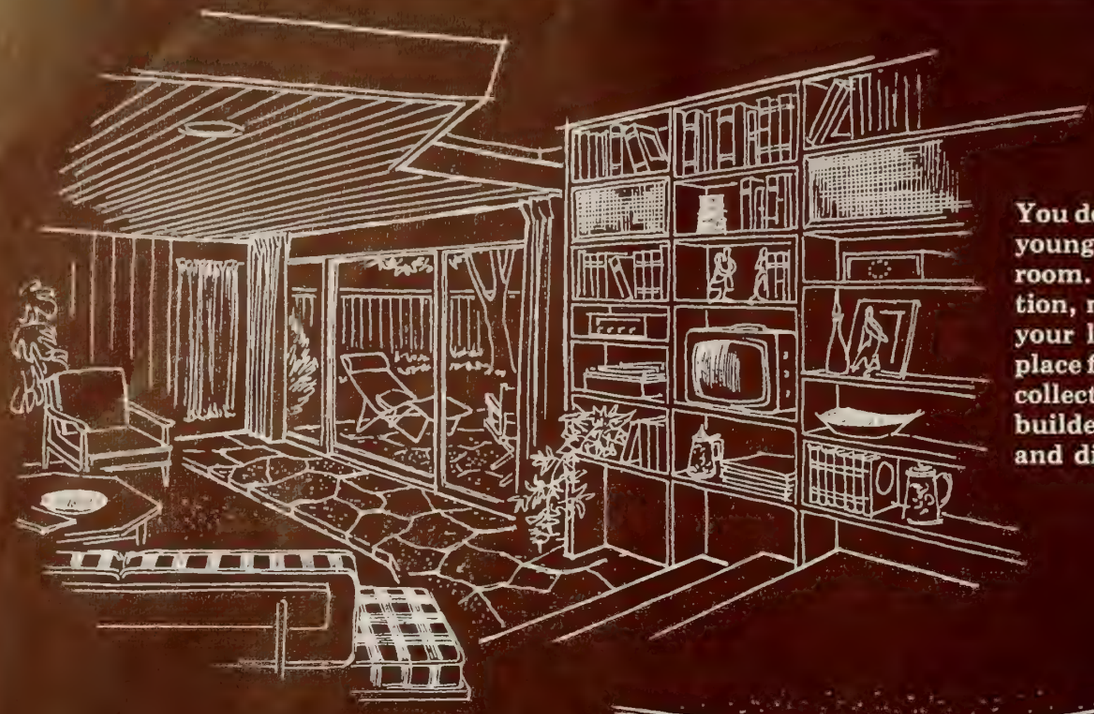
Extend soffit over work counter and plan to include booster lighting for counter. This beams light directly to counter —effective when there's no special need to lower entire ceiling. Other lighting helps include: luminous ceilings, or drop lights over the sink, range, and table; lights under cabinets.



Add the final frosting with color and easy-care decorating materials. It brings a well-planned but dull kitchen to life, makes it the interesting room that sets it apart from the drab, kitchen workroom. Color can cover up defects, give illusions of more space or change the physical appearance of your kitchen. For wall and floor coverings, counter tops, and curtains, blend your color scheme for your own distinctive atmosphere.

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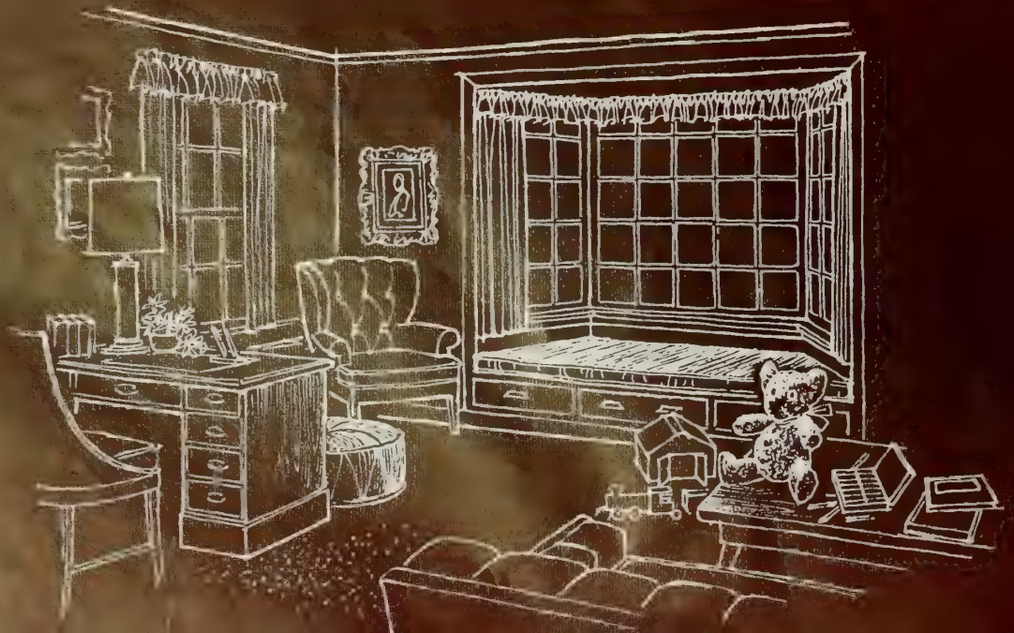
FAMILY ROOMS



You don't need a big family … young children to enjoy a fa… room. This one is for conve… tion, music, TV, and readin… your long suit is bridge, sa… place for a game table; if you… collector, painter, or mo… builder, be sure you have … and display space.



A family room can be a real all-family all-purpose room. This one, almost a part of the kitchen, is just that. It's a family dining room, a place for quick lunches, a rainy day play area, a good spot for hobbies, or a cozy place to read or just relax.



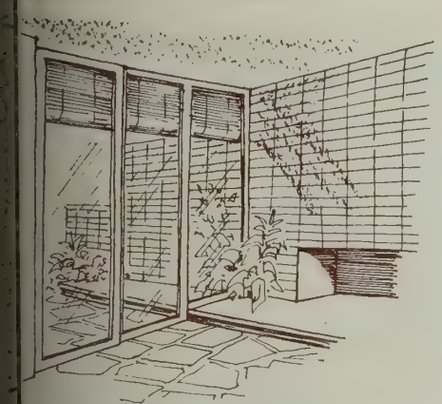
Family rooms can be almos… anything you want to mak… them. This one (once a garage… puts the stress on children… There's lots of toy storage and… most important, lots of super… vision. This is the view Mothe… gets from the kitchen. She ca… keep an eye on children playin… without having to leave her wor… every few minutes to see what'… going on. There's a place for eat… ing, too.

e all-time favorite home improvement he addition of a new family room. To ny families, this change has meant the ference of turning a house they once ught of as a "stop-gap" into a home y'll be happy in for years.

There's fun and satisfaction in the nning step, so take your time. By do- it right, you'll be able to give your se many of the things it now lacks— n can add architectural interest, for in- nce, take the squeeze off the other ms, and add special-purpose areas like ewing closet, a greenhouse window, or ome office.

Where to get the space. If you have a ement, it offers the most economical n for your new room. An attached age should also be considered as con- tible space. Building an addition is ally the most expensive, but the best wer. When you get your family room way, it can be the exact size needed be related properly to the rest of r house.

low do you want it to work? With proper planning, you can make your room fill your exact needs. It can be kind of a playroom that toddlers n't mar ever—or it can be a teen-age ter, a music and TV haven, or a room t bustles with hobbies and all-family es. *You* should decide what you want end result to be. Nobody else knows much about your family's interests habits as you yourself.



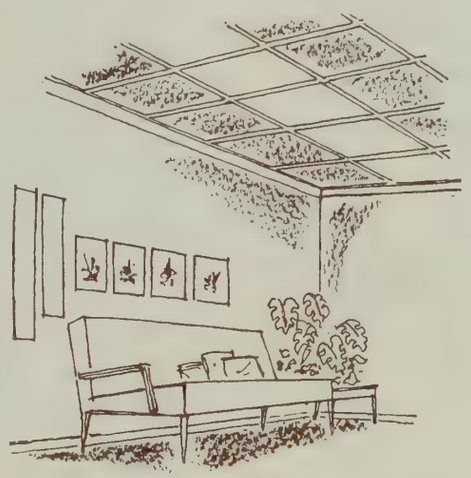
nd, if you're outdoor people, plan a o in conjunction with your project. he sketch above, the fireplace wall e end of the new family room. The k was extended "outdoors" to screen patio from that side of the lot.

uild character in from the start. two factors that most influence the osphere of your new family room the over-all design and the materials use. Professional help with the design ually well worth the cost—an archi- is more experienced with styling and -plan problems than you are. He'll ble to help you make certain that the result is both practical and pleasing.

You and your whole family should do as much preplanning as you can, in order to use an architect to the best advantage.

As you select interior materials, keep your mind's eye on the end result you want. Photographs clipped from *Better Homes & Gardens* will help you visualize many materials in action. And, many manufacturers offer booklets that show their products in actual installations.

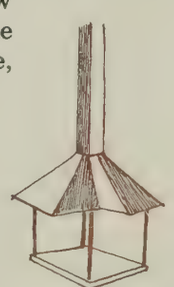
Study new products. Building materials retailers have a whole array of new products that look better than ever and are planned to save time and money. Many are easy to apply yourself—especially interior finishing items like this handsome ceiling. Its white squares are polystyrene foam that help confine noise and can be cleaned with a vacuum. An



aluminum framework supports them along with the translucent squares that conceal inexpensive light fixtures. By placing the lighted panels in relation to your furniture arrangement, you can eliminate the need for all other fixtures or lamps.

Every new room can have a fireplace. Yes, even basement family rooms. No longer is a fireplace necessarily a big investment. There's now a factory-made unit that will fit any budget and any room situation—whether new or an existing room. These two show the wide range of styles. Below is an adaptation of the famous Franklin stove,

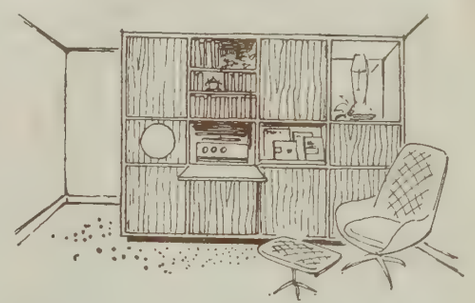




perfect for an Early American setting. At right, a more contemporary model is free-standing so that its friendly glow can be enjoyed from all four sides.

Keep furniture in mind as you go. As your plan develops, sketch in furniture pieces. You'll be able to keep abreast of what new things you'll want to buy and what things you now have that can be used. Your architect will be a big help on this step. He knows how much space it takes for a grouping around the fireplace and how much you need for a dining group.

Tailor storage to your needs. Make a list of the things you'll want to store in your new room, then create spaces for them as required. A whole wall of closets



will absorb overflow from the rest of the house, too. If you solve the storage problem this way, allot part of the space to shelves.

Built-ins pay off in extra use. Be sure to plan the built-in units you'll need, whether you include them now or add them later. The music center (above) is a good example. It was constructed around the standard set of hi-fi components. And it can store dozens of records plus a full stock of other family room paraphernalia.

You can use a built-in like this by placing it against a wall or as a divider (plan it so it opens on both sides) to screen a home-office area.

The special-use unit below was built onto a one-time exterior wall of the house, now enclosed by the family-room addi-



tion. It stores all the family's china and linen and offers a place to snack. And, what was once a kitchen window is now a convenient pass-through for the pull-out snack boards. They are made like standard kitchen cutting boards.

Keep the atmosphere friendly. In each step you take toward your new family room, make every effort to keep it just as warm and happy as your family.

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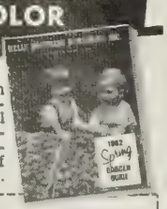


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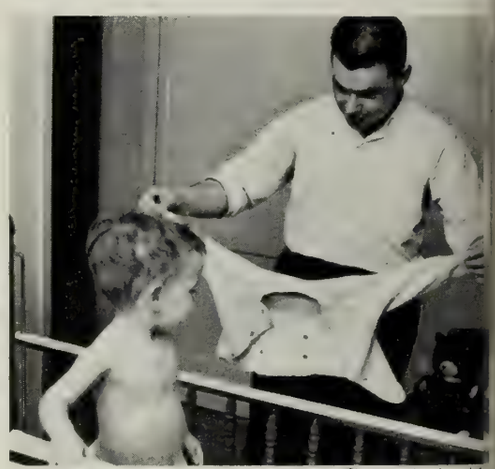
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STRICTLY A STAG AFFAIR

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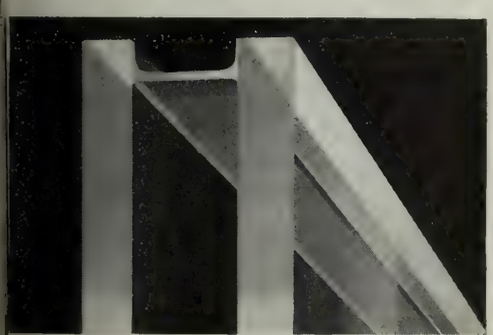


This is a specially exclusive event. Attendance is limited to two. Though Dad has had a hard day at the office and Mike's had a busy afternoon under Mother's watchful eye, neither man would think of missing their nightly "stag." The announcement, "Bedtime!" signals a special period—for Dad, the relaxation and joy of being with that busy little son; for Mike, a time of play and training with the number one man in his life. It all starts when the dirty clothes go in the hamper. After that, it's tub-time for Mike. Then comes the high light of the evening—hide-and-seek on the way from the bathroom back to the bedroom. This may seem to cancel out the purpose of the bath, but what's a little soil compared to such fun? It's the last big game of the day for Mike, and gives Dad some good exercise. The next feature of the ritual might be called a game of catch—catching Mike, that is. Mike races around his crib until Dad, armed with pajamas, captures him. Then Mike knows the jig is up and tries to help. At last, Mike is down for the count, but not out completely. Dad pats him soothingly and hums or talks softly to help him settle down. Lashes flutter a time or two. Eyes close. This evening's "stag party" is over. Then, lights out. The door closes gently as Dad whispers to the drowsy boy "Goodnight, Son."

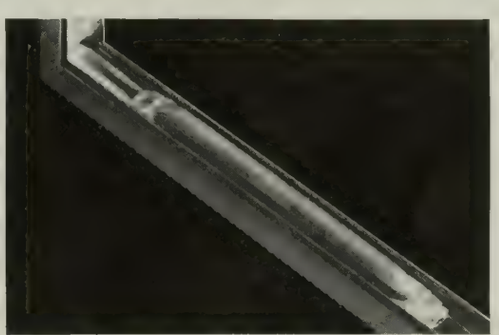
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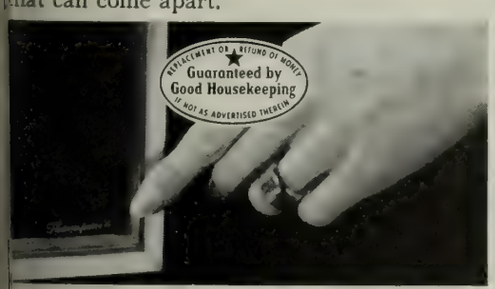
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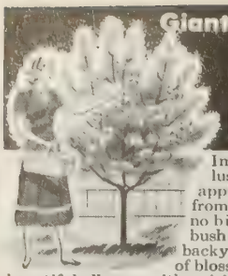
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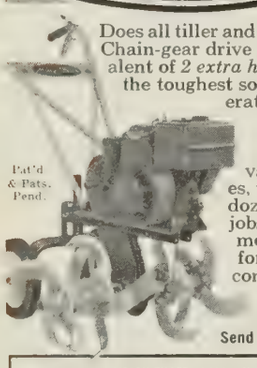
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flooded meadows along the 'Glades fringes, we took enormous fighting black bass. Once Ellen caught a nine- and a seven-pounder in two casts! And fly fishing for the dynamic and delicious snook in canals along the Tamiami Trail, I once landed six in six casts. Baby tarpon literally infest these same canals, too; in spring, they strike a great variety of lures. Meanwhile, the big and hungry bull tarpon cruise coastal waters in hordes, ready and full of fight.

I often wonder if anglers realize that Florida's black bass fishing is truly the world's greatest. But the best of it is missed by the winter people. In spring, a fair fisherman can catch fifty to a hundred bass daily on prime waters. Likewise, Florida's tarpon fishing vies heartily with any offered elsewhere; but it really begins with spring's coming. And the snook fishing then is the hottest in U.S. waters.

The best part of this fishing trip is that all three species can be taken in the same area during a day's drive. Those Tamiami Trail canals and near-by coastal waters contain them all.

For anglers uninitiated in salt water, I suggest regular bass tackle for snook and small tarpon in the canals—both casting and fly outfits are very sporty. But if you have salt-water tackle, too, take it and try for the big boys in the Shark River and Ten Thousand Islands areas.

It hardly need be said that there is a lot more to do in south Florida, too. Fine restaurants and motels, lovely beaches, shell shops, and jungle gardens are everywhere. A trip into Everglades National Park to see the birds is a thrilling must. Miami, Palm Beach, and Ft. Lauderdale are all in range, and so are the Keys.

Summer in Minnesota: Fishing lake trout, walleyes, pike.

North of Duluth, there's a vast land of woods and lakes just made to order for family or father-son fishing trips. This is canoe country—for in the famous Quetico-Superior area, waterways lead on endlessly through some of the best fresh-water fishing territory in America.

Picture this scene. You and your boy load up a canoe with small tent, sleeping bags, cook kit, and plenty of food. It's all planned and put up for you by a regional outfitter at Ely or Grand Marais, two of the chief outfitting towns in the region. The cost for the entire package is only about $6 a day per person. You set out on a well-planned, perfectly-safe route, made up for you by the outfitter. You catch flaky, white-fleshed walleyes for dinner and cook them ashore. After sleeping under the stars, you battle huge pike or tangle with big lake trout. Then perhaps in the next lake, after a short portage, you discover leaping bass for a change.

This is cool, unspoiled summer country, with an astonishing variety of scenery, waters, and fishing. Canoe trips can be short—a day at a time—or stretch two weeks or more. For a whole family, two or more canoes can be rented. What if you are strictly amateur paddlers? Well, there's no hurry in the North Country, but if you insist on going "modern," your canoe can be rigged with a small outboard motor.

You don't have to camp, either. There are excellent lodges all through the region—from plush Basswood Lodge at Ely, at about $14 a day per person (American plan), on down to more modest accommodations, including numerous housekeeping cabins.

I want to emphasize that this is neither a difficult nor dangerous vacation. Thousands enjoy it every summer. To be sure, there aren't many routine tourist attractions or big-town entertainments. This is a trip to draw a man and his son closer together, or weld and renew family bonds.

Make a note, too, that this is good fall hunting country, especially for waterfowl. A good time to lay groundwork for a hunt is during your summer fishing trip.

South Dakota and Wyoming in fall: hunting pheasants and antelope.

If some of our other trips are peaceful, this is anything but. The tempo of this pheasant-antelope combination is exhilarating. During a drive by hunters, I've seen cornfields and brushy creek bottoms in South Dakota, up in the Redfield and Miranda area, erupt with literally hundreds of pheasants in a single burst of whirring wings. Tails streamered by prairie wind, the gaudy cocks race away, almost inviting your shot. And in eastern Wyoming, I've counted five hundred antelope during a single day's hunt, the speeding animals constantly roiling up dust trails on the horizon.

Be sure to secure your Wyoming antelope permit ahead of time. Only a limited number are sold, by district, at $25 each. (You must then hunt in your selected area.) The Wyoming Game Commission at Cheyenne will send you a map showing regions and seasons. Pick an area where the season best coincides with pheasant season in South Dakota. Then arrange to hunt antelope first, or pheasants first, however the dates fall best.

Usually the pheasant license costs about $20. Daily limit is 3 to 5 roosters, depending on how plentiful the birds are in a particular year. Possession limit is, ordinarily, a 5-day limit—15 to 25 birds. Wherever you stay, it's easy to have the birds dressed, frozen, and packaged for you to bring home, at nominal cost.

Though I like the Redfield region best, almost all the eastern third of South Dakota furnishes hot shooting. Mitchell, Huron, and Watertown are all good. There's also excellent hunting across the Missouri River in a few choice locations. Cabins, motels, and lodges are abundant and moderately priced. I hunted at one place near Miranda that charged only $15 a day for food, lodging, guide, dog transportation to the hunting ground, and preparation of the birds!

What I like best about this trip is the wealth of game. A boy's first trip here gives him a rousing introduction to the hunt. He can miss a lot of shots and still have great success, on both birds and antelope. Gillette, Kaycee, and Douglas are all good starting points for antelope. Guides can be found easily. Or, on many ranches you can simply ask permission, then drive your own car on good ranch roads and spot your trophy for the stalk.

For the family, or man and wife alone, this trip has an added attraction. Regardless of your approach direction, it's easy to cover the strikingly beautiful, autumn-painted Black Hills and Mount Rushmore en route between pheasants and antelope. Incidentally, Spearfish Creek and others in the Hills offer excellent trout fishing. Season's open until the end of October. Have a day of that, or look it over for a dandy summer trip sometime!

Fall in Arkansas: hunting waterfowl, fishing black bass

It's remarkable how many great outdoor sports areas in the United States are still not fully explored. One season we followed the waterfowl down the Mississippi Valley and I partook of the famed mallard shooting in the Stuttgart and DeWitt area of Arkansas. Then a native suggested we go bass fishing in back-country bayous along the Mississippi. In a setting different from anything I'd ever seen before we fished in practically virgin wilderness. The sports combination was terrific.

You hunt Arkansas mallards in flooded pin-oak flats. Prowling out before dawn in a skiff or in hip boots, you steal into the leafless oak woods of the river bottoms. Great flights of ducks pour into these bottoms to feed on fallen acorns in the shallow floodlands. Toss a few decoys out where you can see a patch of sky, and the flocks swoop down to your gun. Your shooting, with the timber handicap, is tremendously exciting and sporty. The ducks are fat and tasty, and to paraphrase a local saying, anything so delicious must be downright sinful.

With hunting limits low these days, it's no trick to fill a legal daily bag in an hour or two. That leaves the rest of the day for relaxing, and for the unusual fishing. A map of the region shows the innumerable twistings and meanders

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ings of Ole Miss. In river chutes and channels now partly weed-grown, big black bass that have never seen a hook laze year on year. You have only to hire a guide —any friendly native who knows the region—to have a wonderful fishing session.

This combo trip, again, is an excellent one for father and son. It's a surprisingly appealing family jaunt, too. The old towns along the Mississippi, and the ferry boats that bring you from such spots as Tiptonville, Tennessee, add a most scenic flavor. There's also the different and delicious regional cooking, such as catfish steaks and hush puppies. And, for side trips coming or going, consider Memphis and Little Rock—both cities with good hotels and restaurants and interesting sights.

Chambers of commerce are good contacts for your pretrip planning. Write several towns in the area. Hunting and fishing licenses are average in cost, guides likewise. Plan to cook (or have cooked for you) some of your ducks, for the legal possession limit is small, and you can't take many home. If there's time, line up a goose hunt on a Mississippi sand bar, too. The look on a lad's face when he collects a prize Canada honker suddenly makes the whole trip doubly worth its modest cost.

Winter in southern Louisiana: hunting geese, fishing pompano.

One morning several seasons back, we sat in a bayou-country blind and watched geese come crying in from every direction in long, streaming flocks. I stared in amazement at the sky above us, trying to select the goose I wanted to shoot. There were four different species above the guns at once: blues, snows, white-fronts, and Canadas. A sight like that can't help but be a supreme thrill.

From New Orleans to the Texas border, down below Houma, Jennings, and other south-Louisiana towns where land begins to run out in endless marsh, this country is goose heaven in wintertime. Usually the seasons extend through year's end. The trip into the lonely marshes in this historic Cajun country is in itself worth the effort. So is just watching the tens of thousands of geese filling the sky. Good accommodations are scattered abundantly all along U.S. 90, and license fees are reciprocal minimum—you pay what your own state charges visitors.

But the sensational goose hunting is only part of this trip. After your possession limit of geese is in cold storage, you book a day's run on one of the party or charter boats plying from Grand Isle and many another port along the coast. Offshore oil rigs dot the blue Gulf waters here, and in winter that grand delicacy and doughty fighter, the pompano, literally swarms around these structures.

Only recently have sportsi discovered this fishing pheno non. It is easy to catch pomp once your skipper shows you h —and it's common to take doz in a single day, instead of the casional "loner" that marine glers are used to elsewhere. can freeze and take home eno to serve gourmet-style bro pompano at special dinners spring. Fresh-water tackle se nicely if you don't have hea stuff.

This trip is a swell family ja as well as one jammed with t notch sport. If you want to c vince a nonhunting, nonfish wife, dangle the bait of a day two in grand old New Orle making the rounds of the restaurants and historic sights!

Summer in Colorado: trout fishing.

No place on earth is more lightful than the Colorado h country in summer, and for trout enthusiast, few if any equ accessible areas can compare. orado has a tremendous family cation story to tell: it is a real derness for the outdoorsman, also civilized enough for any who can't bear to leave his c forts (or even luxuries) behind.

I'd advise against early summ however. Remember that up n the big peaks among the hid lakes and streams, snow is likel be around yet. July and August the most logical times. Like m states nowadays, Colorado ha one-trip fishing license: $3.50 five consecutive days. Or, you get a season license for $10.

One of the nicest ways to m this trip is to take two or th weeks and just meander. That Dad and the boys get to fis number of different waters, alw with the pulse-quickening app of something new around the n bend. Streams are all but endl and there are many high lakes, t Besides several species of trout, h and there the elusive, rare grayl is in residence. There's also thrill of mountain whitefish in so streams, and the hard-fight little Kokanee salmon has b stocked in a number of lakes.

Because there are so many tr waters here, it's a good idea to detailed information and m from the Department of Game Fish (Denver 3). Chambers commerce in near-by towns a cities will also furnish names outfitters, in case you'd like drama of a short family or fath son pack trip by horseback i less accessible mountain wat And as you drive, ask locally ab short hiking trips to lakes a stretches of streams that no ro service.

Whether you pack in, hike in, fish the innumerable drive-to w ters, the mountain scenery in t state is overwhelming. Besides high cities—like Colorado Sprin Aspen, and Steamboat Springs

there are also several national monuments: Great Sand Dunes, Black Canyon of the Gunnison, and Dinosaur. And surely no one would go to Colorado and miss Rocky Mountain National Park!

The greatest thrill for anglers, however, is discovering that unsung place. I remember driving to the end of a road some miles from Delta, then walking to a small, almost wholly unfished stream that I'd heard about from a native. Man, what rainbows came out of those icy waters. Why don't I give exact directions? Oh, no—it's more fun for you to find them!

Winter in Texas' Big Bend: hunting mule deer, javelina, blue quail.

Of all the hunting I've done across the U.S. and parts of Mexico and Canada, the place that stands out most in my memory is the Big Bend—that vast, still-frontier region enclosed by a long, south-looping bend of the Rio Grande, in west Texas. Here purple peaks rear up to six and seven thousand feet, and trees are replaced by Spanish bayonet. On the huge ranches, the country is so open you can *see* the fat mule deer almost anywhere. One fall we passed up 27 big bucks on opening day before selecting a real trophy! In the brushy draws, bands of *javelina*—the little native wild pig of the Southwest—grunt and pop their teeth at intruders. And in every wash and thicket, blue quail scurry away as you walk.

This region, almost wholly overlooked by sportsmen, gets only a few Texans each season. It's all privately owned land, so you pay the rancher to hunt. Prices vary widely, from $50 to hunt mule deer only, to about $200 for a really plush all-game hunt which usually includes food, lodging, horses, and the works. Deer season opens December 1 as a rule, and runs for eight days. *Javelina* and quail are open at the same time. A Texas nonresident license costs $25, for all game.

Big Bend is a true wilderness, yet one that's easily accessible. You don't need to ride horseback, but it's fun, and the range-trained horses are gentle. Men and boys love this kind of hunting because it's different in terrain, atmosphere, and game species. Ranchers will arrange chuck-wagon-style feasts, barbecued outdoors by Mexican cooks. This is a dandy all-family hunt, too, with authentic Western flavor and new sights on every hand.

A good way to make arrangements is via chambers of commerce in towns like Alpine and Marfa. (I booked a hunt this way on the big-game-packed Gage Holland Ranch south of Marathon.) The C. of C. puts you in touch with a rancher who has what you want, and from there on you correspond direct. Some of these big ranches have very plush accommodations. Or, you can camp if you wish, driving for the most part on good ranch trails. Weather is generally mild and dry at this time of year, with nights frosty, days sunny and invigorating.

Your trip should definitely include Big Bend National Park. Winter is a perfect time for exploring; the scenery is stunning, and good accommodations are available. A float trip through canyons of the Rio Grande can be arranged with park personnel. Old Fort Davis and the McDonald Observatory, both north of Alpine in the Davis Mountains, are other points of interest for the family.

Washington State in fall: hunting upland birds and waterfowl.

This is the great variety trip. The state of Washington is one of the best-kept secrets of the sporting world, particularly for the bird hunter. All of eastern Washington is loaded with birds, including species you may never have heard of!

Pheasants cackle in the endless grain fields. In some areas during good hatching seasons, plumed valley quail are awesomely abundant. You'll find sharptail grouse, too—the plump, dark-meated prairie grouse that's a close relative of the famed prairie chicken.

Here and there, flocks of Hungarian partridge are found; the dynamic chukar partridge, lover of rocky, broken country, has also done well in Washington and now is legal game. In certain of the sage flats, the outsize sage grouse (I once shot one that weighed almost eight pounds!) is abundant. And in the mountains, there are several species of forest-dwelling grouse, like the Franklin's.

A hunter who plans carefully—getting advance information from the Department of Game in Seattle—can make the rounds of practically all of these species, taking a day here, a day there, to fill out a truly unique and varied bag. Most seasons start about October 12. It's a good idea to be there at the opening, for several species, such as sage grouse, have only a couple of open-season days.

Even with all these upland birds, there's more to come. Washington is perfect waterfowl territory. It is common to find places, just as you travel along, where you can hunt pheasants or quail, then easily shoot ducks and perhaps even a goose or two. Most of this hunting can be reached from U.S. Highways 97, 2, 10, and 410.

When our family was in the Northwest one year, we ate salmon most of the time—and I caught them. A clever planner can manage a salmon trip while his wife is shopping around Seattle. And, by the way, a tour of Seattle and its fine waterfront sea-food spots is one of the best ways to "sell" this trip at home. If time for salmon fishing can't be found, at least you should look over the ground, planning ahead for salmon in spring or summer. Washington's vast coastal waters are among the world's fishing-est. [*Turn to next page*



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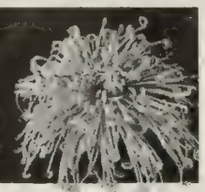
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One more suggestion: deer season in Washington usually opens the same time as birds. In Washington, you can hunt the authentic black-tailed deer. (Mule deer are commonly called "black tails" in many places, but they're not.) The true black tail makes a fine trophy, and is found only on the west slope of the Northwest ranges. With luck you may pick off a black bear, too.

Spring or summer in southern California: fishing in salt water.

One of the best fishing bargains on earth is found along the beaches and on the so-called party boats of southern California. Our family once spent several weeks dallying northward along the coast from San Diego—catching doughty surf perch from the rocks and beaches, dragging croakers from the breakers, and going out in boats to try our tackle on the bigger fish. It's quite an experience, and I vow you'll never find more sensational fishing for so little money.

The boats, all extremely well equipped, often leave port at night. You can rent a bunk and sleep, and when you awaken you are out on the big blue—chasing that fighting fury, the long-finned albacore, or the tackle-straining yellowtail or school tuna. When these can't be found, there are always outsize white sea bass, plentiful Pacific barracuda, and mackerel. For $7 to $12, you can join the party on these modern ocean-going craft. There's always a crowd, but that's part of the fun and excitement. Bait is furnished from big tanks on board, and you can get lunches and soft drinks.

Be sure to buy proper salt-water fishing licenses. California is one state that requires them—a 3-day salt-water license for $1, 10-day for $3. About party boats, write if you wish to local chambers of commerce. San Diego's is very active and will give you all details.

Farther north—at delightful Morro Bay, for example—you can take economical party boats after bottom feeders like the colorful rock fishes. I've seen young anglers haul them out four at a time on a rig with four hooks. There are also wonderful adventures in local eating in all these coastal towns. Try the plump Japanese oysters, Dungeness crabs, abalone, and clams (you can dig 'em for yourself, too). And if you run on up to Monterey, you can easily catch a salmon. Get a party boat reservation for all the family at the main dock.

As everyone across the land knows, California has a welter of entertainment for those who don't care to fish. That's what makes this such a good family trip. Father and son can have the big thrill of catching marine battlers while the others laze on the beaches, or do the shops in town. You pays your (darn little) money, and you takes your choice.



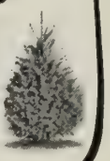
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Sometimes parents must make special effort to plan extra activities with an average child. "Especially a quiet child," Helen add "In school and at home, it's th quiet child who's the peaceful on —and who gets neglected."

Like most average children, Juli has more talent in some areas tha others. For instance, she enjoy music, has more aptitude for than the other children, and prac tices without urging. This is he place to shine.

In school, Julie does better i English than in other courses. Hele encourages her to achieve her Not long ago, Julie decided to ente an essay contest. However, sh wrote her first entry hastily an without much planning. Then he mother applied a little pressure

"If you're going to enter, yo might as well do it with a view t winning. Give it everything yo have." With a little direction, Juli outlined her subject, found con crete illustrations, rewrote severa times. And she won a prize. "Th prize wasn't large, but it gave Juli quite a boost."

While the McRaes' expectation on schoolwork vary with the child in other areas they demand th same high standards from all four

"I suppose that we have adu standards for them," Helen admits "I don't think our standards ar too high, but we may not alway give the direction children need t live up to them.

"Last year, Tim had been tellin us how remarkable he was in arith metic. So when the end of the firs semester came and he got a 'down slip' in arithmetic, it was quite shock to us. We found out that hi work had been sloppy and incom plete. I should have been checkin on him along the way, remember ing that a little boy will evade work

"We have to teach Julie tha there's an important place in th world for an average person. Helen says that they put it just tha plainly: "Most of us *are* average It's a comfortable and a nice wa to be. People don't expect as muc of you. You can live your own lif in a leisurely fashion."

The same realism with whic they face ability differences show up in the McRaes' whole philos ophy of life. One must take life as i comes and make the best of it. Som things are inevitable: work, bore dom, sickness, disappointments.

Helen feels that one of the un answered problems of most parent is teaching children to accept dis appointments. "The parent himsel is so hurt over each hurt of th child that it's almost impossible t conceal his own feelings. When child feels a little sick, we hove over him instead of being matter-of-fact and saying, 'Everybody' sick sometimes. Everybody's un comfortable sometimes. Let's be better sport about it.'

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"Every teen-ager has disappointments in love." We know this hurts, but it's part of being a teen-ager. Children have unfair things happen to them. All human beings do. We must help them accept this and know that it's going to happen lots of times.

"I won't put up with the excuse from my children that something 'is boring.' A lot of us are bored with things that we have to do day after day—housework, for instance. Much of life *is* boring. Gifted or intelligent people have no more right to be free from boredom than other people.

"The children have accepted this attitude. Tim used to complain automatically every time he was told to do a routine task. Finally, I pointed out to him that he was wasting energy. There are certain tasks to be done and we might as well do them in good spirit. Now, he'll usually go ahead and do a chore without automatic rebellion.

"We talk quite a bit about social problems," Helen goes on, "and our relationships to other people. The other night, we were talking about the city's new curfew law. We brought it to the children's attention and let them express their opinion of it. This led to a discussion of similar responsibilities within the family. It gave us a chance to point out that no one has the right to worry anyone else. Parents have no right to be away when the children don't know where they are or when they'll be home. And children have no right to do this sort of thing either."

It's true that Helen McRae spends more time than most parents talking with her children. They discuss openly just about everything—including how to rear children. Helen considers theirs to be "a democratic family where you may say what you feel as long as you say it politely and have other people's feelings at heart."

This free exchange of ideas seems to establish a climate where strong discipline is unnecessary. While the McRaes' standards are firm, their discipline is gentle. And in spite of the great differences in personality and intelligence, the same methods seem to work for all.

Forrest and Helen agree completely on how the children should be handled. Each is sure that the other does a more effective job. They share disciplining, teaching, helping with homework. And both are available with an understanding ear whenever a child needs it.

"Sometimes you have to talk to a boy about things that seem absolutely senseless." Forrest grins. "No matter how silly it may seem to you, it's serious enough to him."

"Tim thinks it's sissified to be loved with any physical demonstration," says his mother. "You have to show a child like this love in different ways. I think Forrest has done it very well. He's never too busy to listen to them or do things with them. I believe the children realize that this is love.

"A child needs love from his father as well as his mother—probably more. He gets care from his mother all day. When a father doesn't go to a daughter's recital or talk to his boy about sports, the child has no way of knowing that his father loves him. Adults think that children take love for granted, but they don't."

The warm support of her father's love is one reason that Pam continues to be happily adjusted to life, in spite of her handicap. She will sit quietly on her daddy's lap for an hour, listening to the conversation around her. Who is Pam's special friend in the family? The rest of the children agree, "Daddy!"

Exceptional children, at either end of the curve, can put terrific demands on a parent's time and energy. We asked Helen McRae how she managed to keep a home, tutor Pam, and still give the other children the attention they need.

"Well, I do live by a schedule. The children don't make me nervous, but interruptions do. I just don't answer the phone when I'm doing something important like helping Pam with her schoolwork.

"I give more time to Pam's education than the other children's. Sometimes I feel this is a mistake. In a schoolroom, each child is entitled to the same amount of the teacher's time, and I feel that this should be true in the family, too. But the others don't seem to want to be worked with this way. If they did, I am sure I'd find the time to do it."

For today, the McRaes have woven a happy, closely knit family of their widely differing offspring. But what of tomorrow?

Susan's tomorrow looks rosy. "I've wanted to teach ever since I started high school. When we started teaching Pam, I decided I'd like to work with the mentally retarded." This year, Susan has started her college course in special education.

Julie is still trying to make up her mind. "Right now I think I'd like to be a psychologist for children—to work with others like Pammie."

Living with Pam has made Julie compassionate and aware of other people's problems. She worries about the poor boy in her class who hasn't paper and pencils to work with.

Tim has decided what he is *not* going to be. He has announced, "I guess I'll go to college so I won't have to be a garbage collector."

As for Pam's future, Forrest and Helen don't let themselves worry about it. They are equipping her with every skill and bit of knowledge her mind can absorb. They are giving her love, yet teaching her independence. This is all they can do.

"All the children are going to face problems and disappointments," Helen comments philosophically. "Everyone does. I doubt if Pam's will be any greater than the others'."

There again is the realism that accounts for much of Forrest and Helen McRae's success as parents. They accept and love each child as he or she is. And they teach the child to accept himself the same way—along with all the problems and satisfactions of being the person he is.



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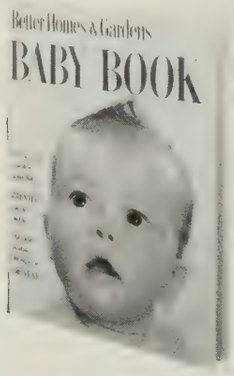
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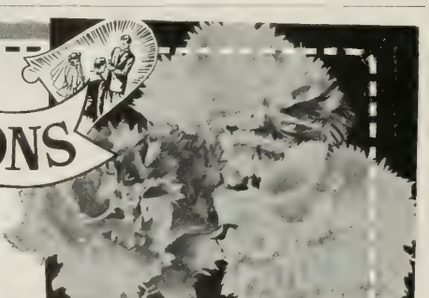
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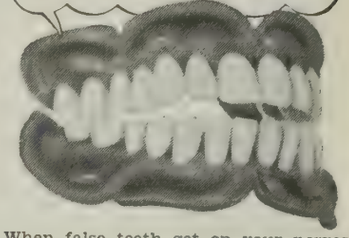
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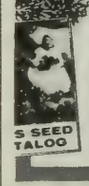
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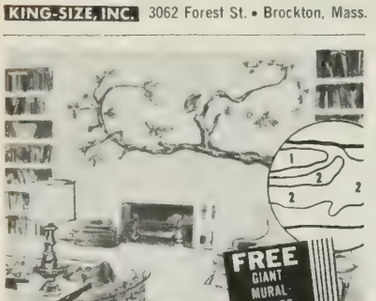
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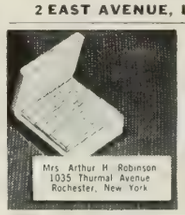
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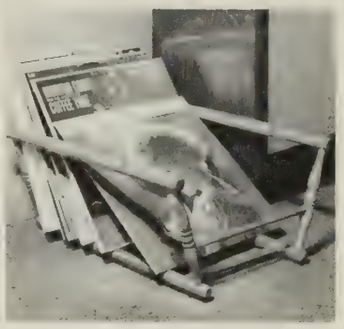
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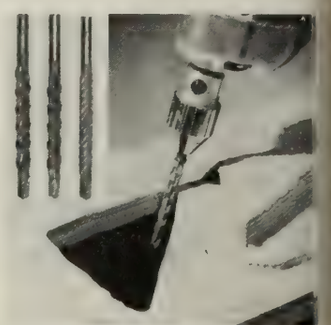
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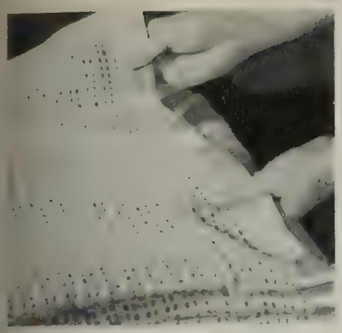
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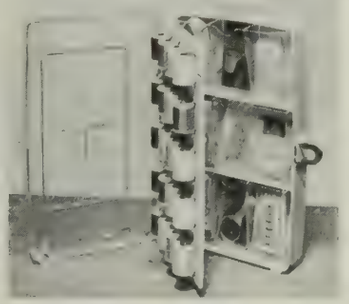
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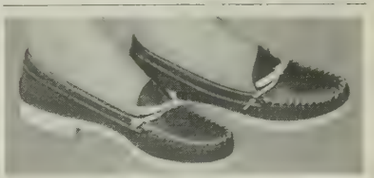
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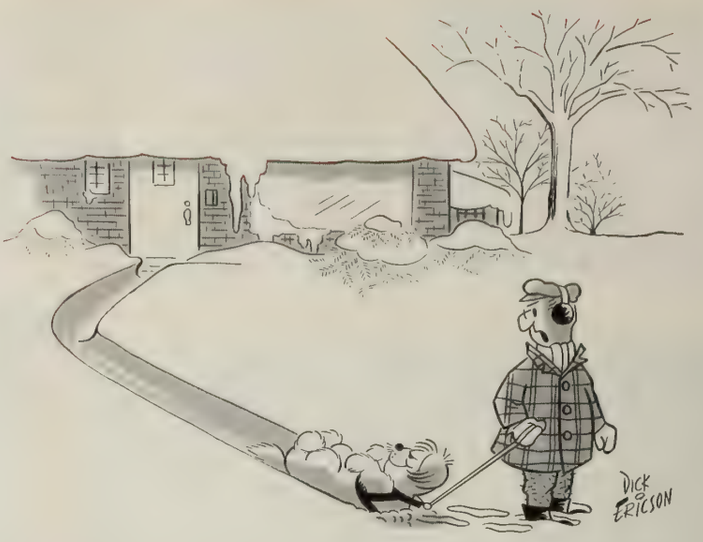


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Patrick O'Leary is practicing for the forthcoming golf season by going down into his basement and breaking sticks over his knee.

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I used to take pride in being a minority of one—but somehow in my maturity I have become one of the majority.

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One of the fellows at our office calls his secretary by blowing a loud "oogah" sound on a buffalo horn. Would I but had the courage to try that at home.

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"You look so cute when you're angry."

More people ought to button their lips instead of their minds.

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"I am so smart," Bill Norman said on the bus the other morning, "that I know my boss is not as stupid as I am."

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Every time they shoot off another astronaut, I ask myself that old question from the days of wartime rationing: "Is this trip really necessary?"

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Martin Daly says his best hope for 1962 is that it goes a full twelve months.

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We are encouraging Young Burt to listen to what people have to say before he disagrees with them.

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Grandpa Hillis often phones us long distance from the warmth of his winter vacation spot just so he can get a firsthand description of how much cold and disagreeable weather he is avoiding.

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Mr. Matthews, who teaches physics in our high school, called my attention to the main difference between kids today and a generation ago. Then they wanted to know why a thing was so; now they want to know why they have to know it is so.

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All of us must work more for inner satisfaction than for praise. Note that the bee is never complimented for making honey — he's just criticized for stinging.

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Today, the only thing people have to fear is each other.

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If last year's experience is any guide, Judy will get a big laugh out of the funny valentines she sends out—and a small, dry chuckle out of those she receives.

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Young Burt is at the awkward age when he doesn't know whether to give a girl his seat on the bus or race her for it.

Eileen Cowan says she is philosophical about getting married again—that means she is thinking about it all the time.

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According to Grandpa Hillis, senior citizens are never short of advice because they get so much of it from young people.

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Rosemary came back from last night's basketball game speechless—too hoarse to talk and too disappointed to try.

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Judy is at the age when she feels her entire circle of friends is made up of squares.

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Uncle Dodd Buckner reports that the second snowstorm to hit his farm merely covered up the damage the first one did.

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Rosemary put her arms around my neck the other night and confided that she is not nearly as ashamed of me as most teen-agers are of their fathers.

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For years I have tried to keep fifty dollars in a special "sick friend" fund. Whenever I see a friend in distress for self or loved ones, I don't take flowers; I quietly squeeze a hand and leave a fifty-dollar bill in it. The effect is often magical, especially if it's a widow. And I've never lost a dime.

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"It's only a little farther," my father used to say when I was a little boy, winded and leg-weary, out on the long Sunday afternoon walks we used to take together. So I would brace up and struggle on a little longer, looking for the first familiar landmarks that would indicate we were back in our own neighborhood. One day I asked him how far a little farther really was. "It's farther than you can see, but not as far as you can go," he replied. His words were a help to me then, and on many another journey since that long-ago day.

Burton Hillis

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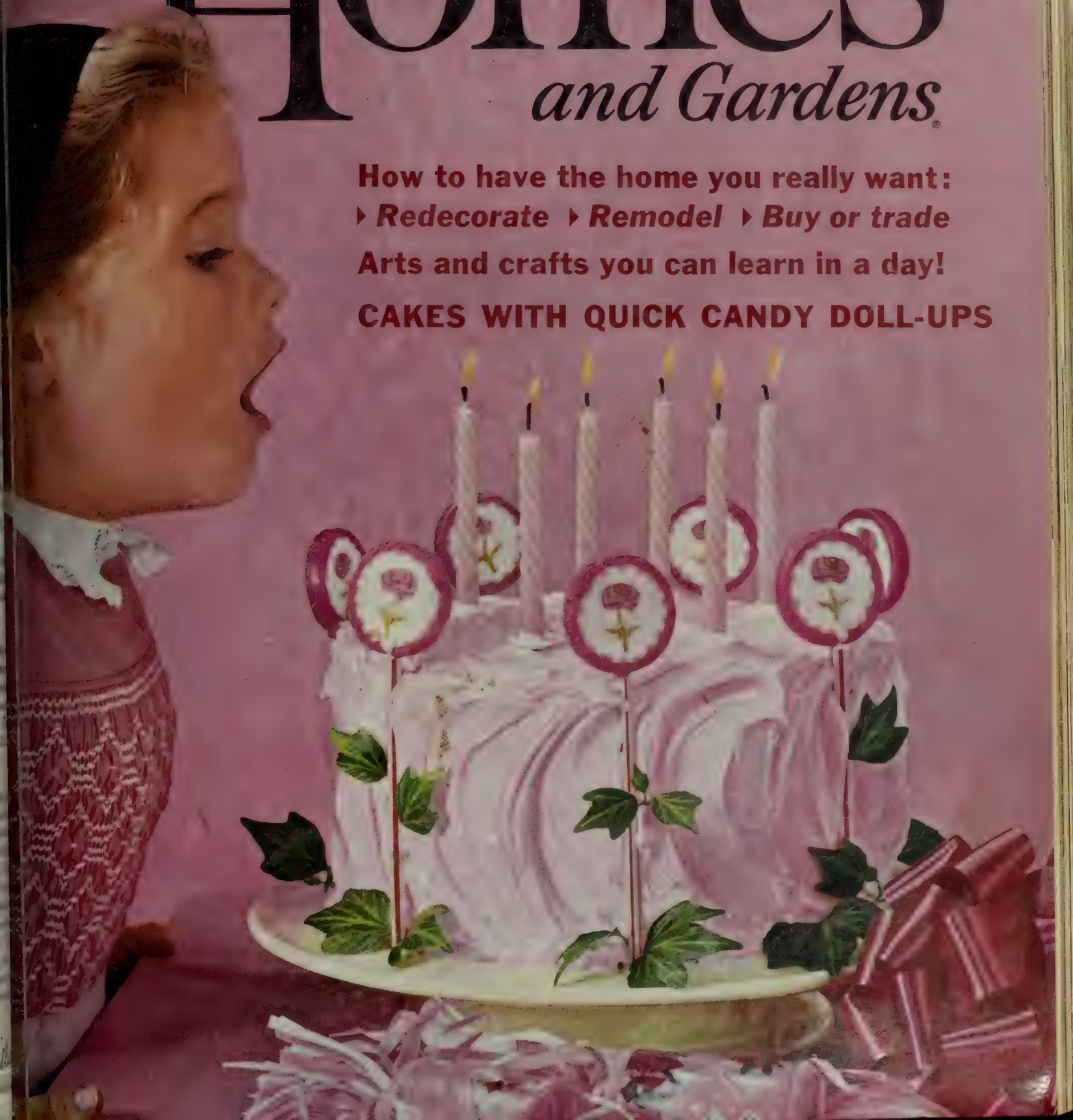
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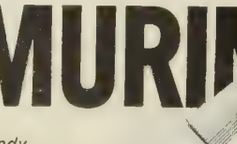
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1. A free decorating and color-styling recommendation for FIVE rooms, consisting of a choice of 3 color schemes for each room with color suggestions for walls, woodwork, drapery fabrics, upholstery fabrics and accents all built around the color of the floor covering, plus a guide for buying articles of furniture and furnishings showing the basic designs for seven different styles of decorating that are popular today. 2. Five gallons of *SPRED SATIN* the original 100 percent latex finish for interiors. Choice of colors. 3. Five quarts of *SPRED LUSTRE* semi-gloss enamel in colors to match the *SPRED SATIN*. 4. Three gallons of ceiling flat white *SPRED SATIN*. 5. One *"Handi-Dad" Kit* containing one quart *Rustmaster Primer* for metal, one quart of *Rustmaster Enamel metal finishing coat* (choice of colors), one can of *Japalac Spray Enamel*—aluminum, one can of *Japalac Spray Enamel*—gold, one can of *Japalac Spray Enamel*—clear, one can of *Silicone Slick Spray*, one quart of *Xpert Wood Finish* and one-half pint of *Spred Patch*. 6. One plastic drop cloth. 7. One 4 inch *Spred brush*. 8. One roller and tray set. 9. One 2 inch enamel brush.

Gulistan Carpet

Qualifying Winners in *Interior Division* will receive refund of purchase price of any *Gulistan Carpet* used, *up to 20 square yards*, exclusive of padding and installation.
Interiors Division Winners will receive refund of purchase price of any *Gulistan Carpet* used, *up to 30 square yards*, exclusive of padding and installation.
Best-of-Contest Winners: 3rd prize—refund of purchase price of any *Gulistan Carpet* used, *up to 40 square yards*, exclusive of padding and installation; *2nd prize*—refund of purchase price of any *Gulistan Carpet* used, *up to 50 square yards*, exclusive of padding and installation.
First Prize Winner will receive *full refund* of purchase price of *all Gulistan Carpet* used, exclusive of padding and installation. Winners must show suitable evidence of purchase price and actual use of *Gulistan Carpet*.

The Hoover Company

To *Best-of-Contest Winners*, the *Hoover Company* will make the following awards:
First Prize—Hoover Convertible Cleaner with attachments, *Hoover Shampoo-Polisher*, and *Hoover Electric Floor Washer*.
Second Prize—Hoover Convertible Cleaner with attachments and *Hoover Floor Washer*.
Third Prize—Hoover Convertible Cleaner with attachments.
Each of the 12 *Division Winners* will be awarded a new *Hoover Electric Floor Washer*.

Hotpoint

Division of General Electric Company

If you are one of the 96 *Qualifying Winners*, 12 *Division Winners* or 3 *Best-of-Contest Winners, Hotpoint* will be pleased to refund to you the cost (average retail price) ‡ of any of these 1961 or 1962 "Satisfaction Guaranteed" *Hotpoint Appliances* used in your winning entry: *Cabinet Ranges, Town & Country Ranges, Built-In Ovens, Built-In Surface Units, Dishwashers, Disposalls, Washers, Dryers, Water Heaters* and *Electric Baseboard Heat System*.
‡If you prefer, you may select any *Hotpoint Appliance* of comparable cash value.
Bonus Awards. If winners use *any 3* of the above *Hotpoint Appliances, Hotpoint* will also award the following: $1,000 Savings Bonds to *Best-of-Contest Winners*, $500 Savings Bonds to *Division Winners* and $200 Savings Bonds to *Qualifying Winners*.
(Attention Kitchen Contractors: If one of the above *Bonus Winners* buys three *Hotpoint Appliances* from you, *Hotpoint* will award you a DA35-C *Dishwasher*.)

In-Sink-Erator Manufacturing Co.

In-Sink-Erator Garbage Disposers

All 24 *Winners* in the *Kitchen-Utility Division* using *In-Sink-Erator Garbage Disposers* will receive cash in the amount of the published retail price of the *In-Sink-Erator product* used. Evidence of purchase, with model number of unit purchased, must be submitted to *In-Sink-Erator Manufacturing Company*.

Johns-Manville

Best-of-Contest Winners will receive a cash refund of the retail purchase price of any of the following products if used in their winning entries: *J-M Asbestos Roof Shingles, J-M Standard or Seal-O-Matic Asphalt Shingles, J-M Strongbord or Weathertite Sheathing, J-M Rock-Shake or Aluminum Siding, J-M Spintex or Fiber Glass Home Insulation, J-M Decorative or Acoustical Ceiling Panels, J-M Gypsum Wallboard, J-M Terraflex or Asphalt Tile Flooring, J-M Corrulux Translucent Building Panels*. Winners must show suitable evidence of purchase and use in winning entry.

Kelvinator

Best-of-Contest Winners (1st, 2nd and 3rd) and to *Winners* of the *Kitchen and Utility Rooms Division: Kelvinator* offers to refund the purchase price of any one of the following *Kelvinator major appliances* used as part of the winning entries: *electric refrigerator, electric range* (either freestand or built-in), *food freezer, electric washer, electric dryer, room air conditioner* and *dishwasher*.
Refunds will not include any installation cost of the appliances. Satisfactory evidence of the purchase price paid must be submitted.

Kimberly-Clark Corporation

Qualifying winners in the *Interiors* and *Kitchen & Utility Rooms Divisions* who use any type of *Marvalon Decorative Coverings* (shelf lining, drawer lining or adhesive covering) will receive a cash refund equal to the retail price of the *Marvalon* involved. Winners must show proof of purchase during 1962 and use in prize-winning project.

Kirsch Company

Division Winners in the *Interiors, Additions, and Kitchen and Utility Rooms Divisions* will receive refund of the purchase price of any *Kirsch Drapery Hardware* purchased in 1962 and used in the winning entries.

Kohler Company

Plumbing Fixtures Division

Best-of-Contest Winners (first, second and third prizes) will receive a cash award equal to the cost of fixtures and fittings for a complete *Kohler bathroom*, or *powder room*, or *kitchen and utility* or *laundry room. Kohler fixtures* and *fittings* must have been used in winning the improvement projects.

Marsh Wall Products, Inc.

Division Winners in the *Interior, Addition*, and *Kitchen-Utility Divisions* will receive a refund equal to the purchase price of *Marlite paneling* used in their winning entries

The Masonite Corporation

Best-of-Contest Winners in 1) *Interior Remodeling*, 2) *Exterior Remodeling*, 3) *Room Addition* categories will be refunded the full retail purchase price of *Masonite* brand products used in their project entry. Winners must produce satisfactory evidence of purchase of genuine *Masonite Royalcote, Peg-Board, Seadrift sidings* or *underlayment*.

National Gypsum Company

To the *Best-of-Contest Winner: The National Gypsum Company*, manufacturer of *Gold Bond Building Products*, will award a cash prize equivalent to the retail value of any *Gold Bond Building Products* used in the Winner's entry. This does not include the cost of installation. *The National Gypsum Company* will also award an equivalent amount to the Dealer who sells the *Gold Bond Building Products* to the Winner.

Libbey Division of Owens-Illinois

All Division Winners will be presented with a gift boxed set of *Libbey Glassware*.

Plywall Products Company

Division winners in the *Interiors classification* and in the *Additions classification* will be refunded the full retail purchase price of the *Poly-Clad Plywall wood paneling* used in their winning entries. Installation costs are not included. Winner must produce satisfactory evidence of purchase and use of *Poly-Clad Plywall paneling*.

Progress Manufacturing Co., Inc.

Best-of-Contest Winners (1st, 2nd and 3rd) will receive refunds of prices paid for *Progress lighting fixtures* used in winning projects. Installation costs are not included.

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The Sherwin-Williams Co.

To the *12 Division Winners:* Any or all *Sherwin-Williams paint products* used in these 12 winning entries will receive a refund of the purchase price of these products. These include, for exterior projects, the famous *SWP oil base house paint* or the new *A-100 Latex house paint*. For interiors, America's favorite wall paint, *Sherwin-Williams Super Kem Tone* and *Sherwin-Williams Kem-Glo*, the world's finest enamel. All other *Sherwin-Williams paint products* also qualify.

Simpson Timber Co.

All *Division Winners* will receive refund of purchase price of all *Simpson products* including plywood, doors, acoustical and insulating board and redwood products if used in their winning entries. Suitable proof of purchase must be provided.

Skelly Oil Company†

Qualifying Winners in *Interiors Division* who have specified *Skelgas* as home heating fuel in their project will receive $50 cash bonus. *Division Winners* in *Interiors Division* who have specified *Skelgas* as home heating fuel in their project will receive an additional $100 cash bonus. *Best-of-Contest Winners*, if from *Interiors Division*, who have specified *Skelgas* as home heating fuel in their project will receive an additional $100 cash bonus.
†Corollary prize offer will be confined to those entrants residing in the following states: Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

Stylon Ceramic Tile Corporation

Best-of-Contest Awards. If in the winning entry, *Stylon Ceramic Tile* is used and installed by a professional tile contractor,
1st prize winner will receive a cash prize of $250; 2nd prize winner will receive a cash prize of $150; 3rd prize winner will receive a cash prize of $75.
All persons who used *Stylon Ceramic Tile* in their remodeling projects in 1962 are eligible to enter the corollary:

Stylon Home Improvement Contest

Grand Prize: *A 1963 Nash Rambler Sedan*.
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The Tappan Company

Kitchen and Utility Rooms Project Division Best-of-Contest Awards
First Prize: Product costs will be refunded on the following 1962 *Tappan kitchen units* purchased: *Range, Refrigerator, Dishwasher, Range Hood, Sink* and *Disposer*.
Second Prize: Product costs will be refunded on the following 1962 *Tappan kitchen units* purchased. *Range, Range Hood* and *Dishwasher*.
Third Prize: Product cost will be refunded on the 1962 *Tappan Range* purchased.
Top Three Division Awards:
Winners of the top three Division prizes in the *Kitchen and Utility Rooms Division* will be refunded product cost of the 1962 *Tappan Dishwasher* purchased.
NOTE: *Best-of-Contest Award winners* will not be eligible for *Division* prize. All winners must have used an all *Tappan kitchen* to qualify for awards.

True Temper

If you are one of the 12 *Division Winners*, and can show sales receipt or other evidence of purchase of any *True Temper hammer* during 1962, you will be awarded a *9-piece set of modern True Temper garden tools*.

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U. S. Plywood Corporation

All Division Winners will be reimbursed for the cost of *U. S. Plywood Weldwood* products used in their winning entry, plus an equivalent amount in cash. Winners must show suitable evidence that products used are *Weldwood*.

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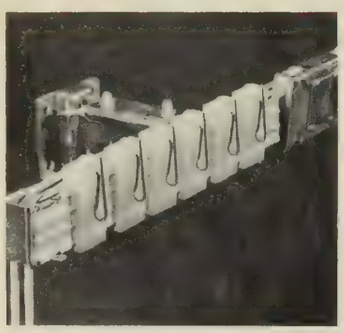
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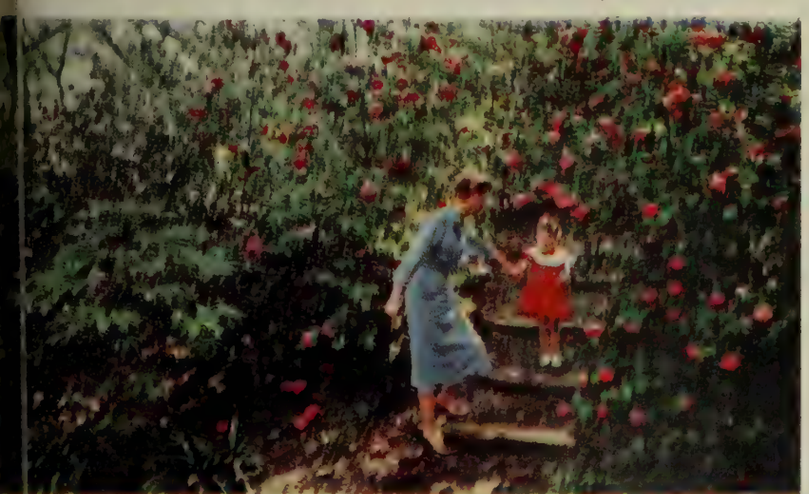
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BEFORE

One less wall brings more space into the kitchen

By taking out the wall between pantry and breakfast room, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence A. Frohmuth gained a bigger dining area in their remodeled kitchen. Counter top-dining bar behind the range top and barbecue grill is used every day for breakfast and lunch. Cooking top and gas-fired grill in ceramic tile counter top separates work areas from dining spot. Large window adds a view, plus lots more sunlight.

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Designers: Dick Reynolds and Mary Moon

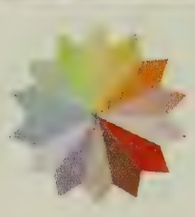
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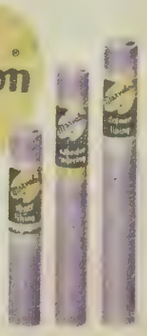
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BEFOR

Scenic wallpaper improved the outlook

Mr. and Mrs. James Johnston had a problem with their di ing area. Here's how they solved it.

"Our small dining area didn't have a window—or mu personality. We'd thought of arranging a group of prin over the table, but found that it would have cost nearly hundred dollars for the prints we wanted, so we invest that money in scenic wallpaper and a new lighting fixture

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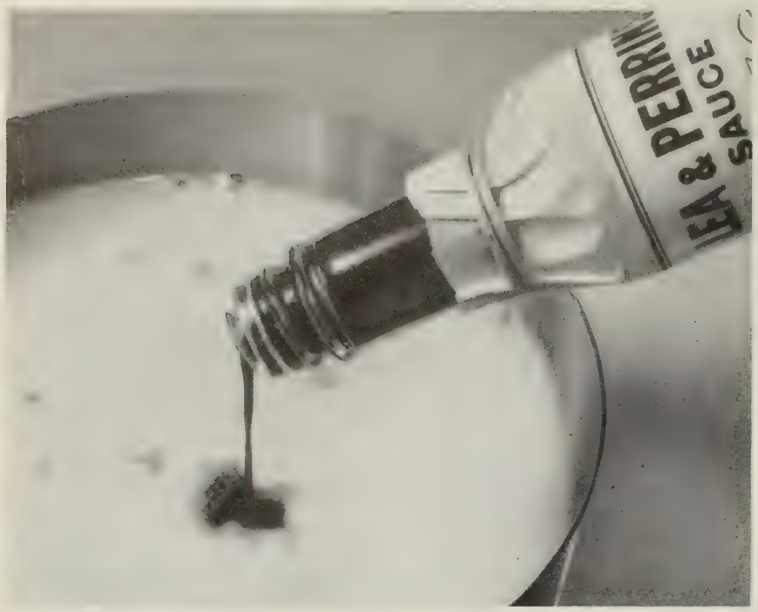
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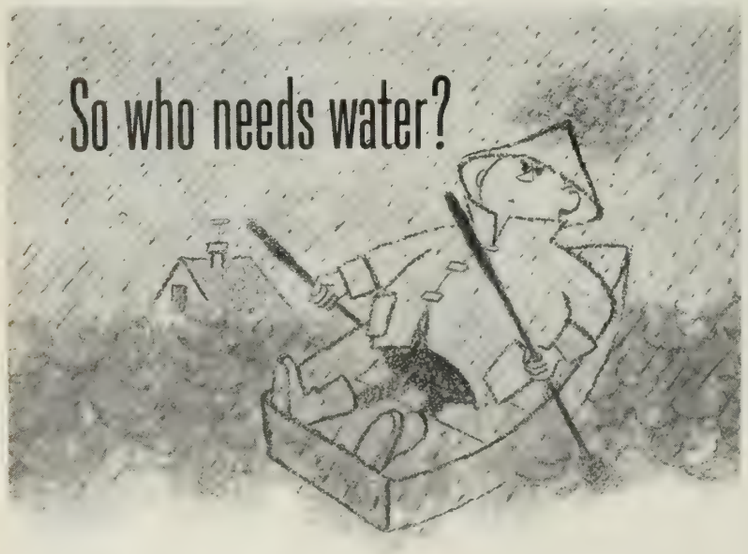


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This dramatic entry at the home of Mr and Mrs. John F Gaffney, Seattle, vastly improved the appearance of th whole house without any major changes in structure.

Using the same roof projection, the Gaffneys added brick wall and low brick planter. Double doors of ambl glass set in wood frames contrast effectively with the whi brick. The grill hides a new side entry.

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The easy way to add two more rooms

Mr. and Mrs. John Muhlke of Northbrook, Illinois turned their garage into *two* bedrooms. Here's how they made the change:

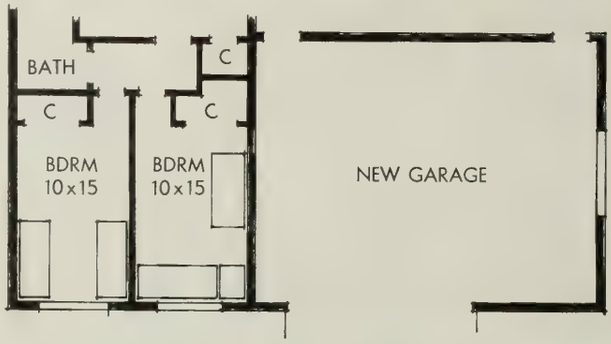
"We added a double garage on the west end of our one-story home and then converted the garage into rooms for our sons, John and Joe. The garage was divided by a wall, creating two 10-by-15-foot rooms.

The bedrooms aren't large, but by careful planning we've equipped each room with two beds, a dresser, desk, and adequate closet space.

The boys appreciate their privacy. Now the guitar and drums can have a good workout because the rooms are at the opposite end of the house from our bedroom."



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The garage addition continues the lines of the existing roof.

The exterior of the Muhlke house is accented with black shutters at the double-hung windows and carriage lamps flanking the garage door. A cupola was added for a Colonial effect.

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The bedrooms are finished in knotty pine paneling. Bright corduroy cafe curtains are hung above pine shutters which give rooms privacy.

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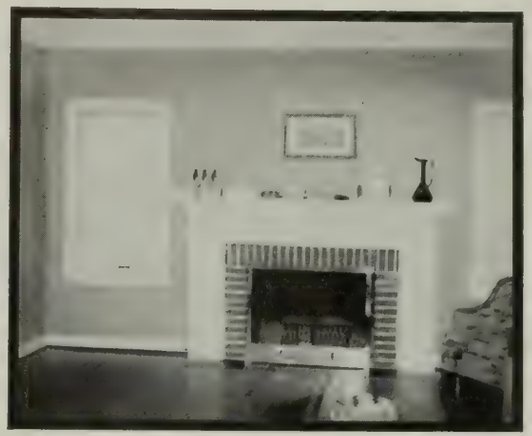
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lew style and storage nprove this old fireplace

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The paneling is random-grooved, walnut- ished plywood. A filigreed brass plaque d tall oriental candle complete the in- mal balance of the wall.



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Small space between doors . . . perfect peninsula spot

By extending counter and cabinets from the narrow width c wall between dining-room and hall doorways, Dr. and Mr Rafael Rodriquez created this handy serving center. Doo at both sides of peninsula add step-saving convenience.

The bank of storage cabinets across the aisle replaces th old odd-angled combination pantry-serving spot. Shallo shelves of center cabinet hides heating duct, stores spice

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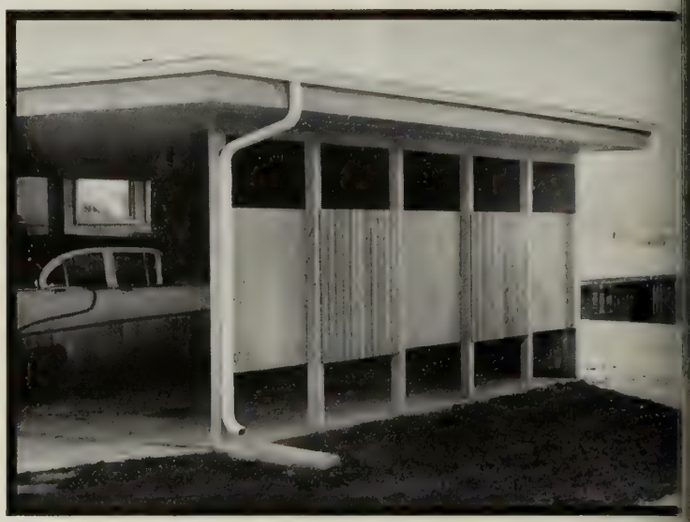
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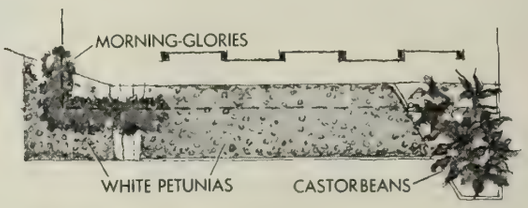


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For an inexpensive planting —use annual flowers

An idea as simple as this one could win a prize. The way an nuals were used here as a temporary carport planting, unti a permanent one was made, is a good example.

The cool-looking white petunias provide a low mass o color while castorbeans and bright, climbing morning-glo ries, supported by an iron-pipe and wire-mesh trellis, softe the harsh corner posts of the structure. Seed can be sow directly or you can set out started plants.



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Measure ¾ cup. Drop from teaspoon 2 inches apart onto greased baking sheet, making 12 cookies. Drop ¼ tsp. of the chocolate mix onto each. Bake at 375°F. about 12 minutes.

CHOCOLATE MIX:
2 packages Baker's German's Sweet Chocolate • 2½ cups sifted cake flour • 1½ tsp. baking powder • ¾ tsp. salt • ½ cup butter • 2 egg yolks • ⅓ cup milk • 1 tsp. vanilla • ½ cup gran. sugar • ¼ cup light brown sugar.

Chop 1 package of chocolate coarsely. Set aside; then melt other package over boiling water. Cool slightly. Measure sifted flour; add baking powder and salt. Sift together into large mixing bowl. Add remaining ingredients. Stir to blend, then beat about 1 minute. Stir in chopped chocolate.

Make about 3 dozen cookies by dropping batter from a teaspoon 2 inches apart on ungreased baking sheet. Drop about ⅓ tsp. of macaroon mix on each. Bake at 375°F. for 10 to 12 minutes.



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My wife, Sally, had saved scrapbooks full of magazine clippings and had definite ideas about things she wanted. First on her list of requirements, she wrote "easy to clean" because of the children. She wanted a small kitchen, too—but with all the storage space of a large one. And, the kitchen had to be where she could see the boys playing outside.

My ideas were more general than Sally's. I knew how many rooms we needed and about how big they ought to be. I wanted to be sure we had a fireplace—and a big master bedroom, too.

Both of us wanted to use as much wood and stone as we could, because we liked the way they look and felt they would help the house be as natural and as unaffected as possible. Also high on the list were a good view and plenty of glass to enjoy it, so we bought a suburban site on a hill with lots of trees.

We chose Paul Stevens as our architect because we knew him, and knew he had designed other houses of the kind we wanted. Paul and his partner, Michael Imlay, gave us everything on our "must list"—and more that we hadn't even asked for—such as the use of diagonal weathered cedar siding. Besides the added interest, it adds structural strength.

We are well satisfied with the final result. It is different from any other house—and better for us because it is designed for the way we live. It also fits the site perfectly, can be expanded to fit our future needs, and is adaptable to our mixture of antique and contemporary furnishings.

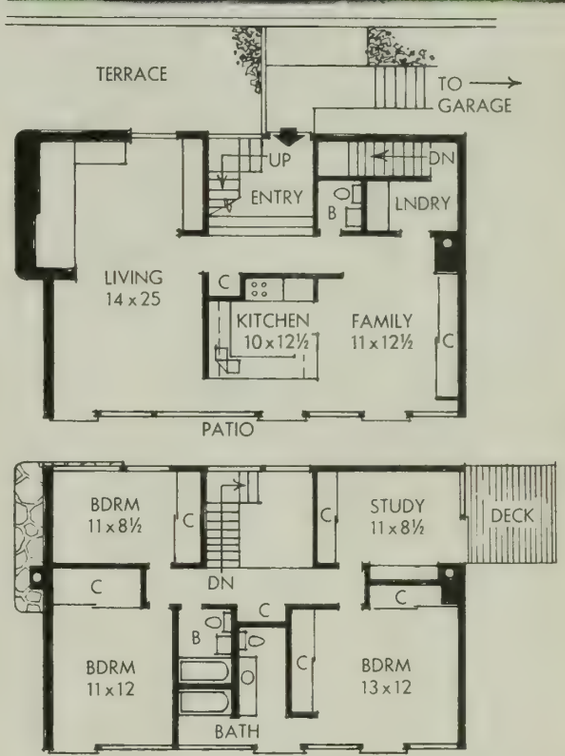
Of course, like everyone else, there are still some things we want to do. Sally plans to hang baskets of plants from the ceiling beams extending from the back of the house. We also plan to build a second-floor deck on the beams.

If you don't have an architect in mind for your house, ask the local office of the American Institute of Architects for a list of qualified architects. It's up to you to choose one on the basis of work he has completed for other people.

Your architect will help you select a site if you wish. He'll work with you to plan your home and even help you hire a builder. He'll also supervise construction progress and details and will check on the quality of materials used by the builder.

Charges are usually from 7 to 10 per cent of the cost of the house. An architect won't save *you any cash, but he will give you a house worth more now in family pleasure and one that will keep its value longer. Best of all, you'll have exactly the home you want.*



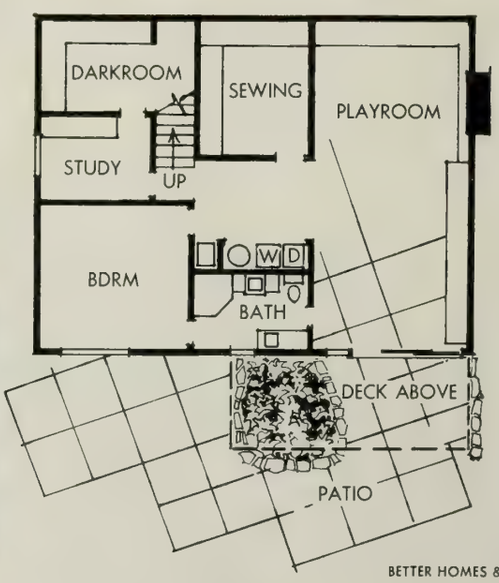


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Landscape architect: Mary K. Moulton. Data: Jessie Walker



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Mr. and Mrs. John Hartley
Los Angeles, California

"You can't take a neighborhood with you . . ."

When our family outgrew our house, we remodeled to get the space we needed. It wasn't as simple as it sounds.

Shortly after buying the house in 1955, we remodeled the bathroom, kitchen, fireplace, and dining area. We were all set—or so we thought until a daughter, Lisa, and then a son, Steve, made our home seem far too small.

Looking for another house convinced us that it would be less expensive to remodel our old one. We learned something else, too—there weren't many neighborhoods or locations as pleasant and convenient as ours, and certainly none with our long-standing neighborhood friends.

We liked living on a dead-end street where there was no traffic. And we were close to schools, markets, and freeways. Besides, it was a central point for a large part of my work as a photographer. With all these advantages in favor of the home we already owned, it didn't take us long to decide to remodel. We hired an architect, Knowlton Fernald, so everything would be as we wanted it.

The house is on a sloping lot, so we have two stories above ground at the back. The lower level was just one big messy area before we remodeled. Now it has a bedroom and bath, sewing room, furnace and laundry area, and a large play room. There are also a study and a darkroom for me.

With the new bedroom downstairs, we were able to remove a wall between the end of the living room and a small adjacent bedroom, and add this space to the living room.

After the lower area was completed, we landscaped our garden space of 40x50 feet. Landscape Architect Albert Heinemann used shrubs and ground cover that don't need much maintenance. The garden includes a sandbox and swings for the children.

We also added a new deck off the dining area and a paved patio just outside the playroom. When we planned the patio, we wanted it to look like an extension of the vinyl asbestos tile floor of the playroom. The tile had two-inch red-and-yellow inserts, so we used two-inch redwood strips in the concrete patio. Now the tile inserts and redwood strips make it seem like one big play area.

Was it hard to live through a remodeling? Yes it was. The worst part was the change in plumbing—but even that was worth the mess and inconvenience.

Remodeling wasn't a lightly made decision. We worked on ideas and plans for a long time, but the outcome was all we had hoped for, and then some! Thanks to wonderful professional help, we have such a well-designed, comfortable, and attractive result that we are getting an unexpected amount of satisfaction from our "new" house.









Mr. and Mrs. John Cross
Minneapolis, Minnesota

"Individuality doesn't come easily on a small budget!"

John and I got the kind of home we wanted by building double bungalow. True, we have neighbors under the sam roof, but the rent from the other half covers our mortgag payments and we feel it was worth sacrificing absolute pr vacy in order to have our own home.

When we got married a year ago, we tried to evaluate ou housing situation realistically. The double housing un came closest to fitting our finances, so we set about to tackl the building problem—with more enthusiasm than mone We cut labor costs wherever possible by doing most of th construction and all the painting and finishing.

Our home was about half finished when we moved in. I was a little like camping out, but it saved us the expense renting an apartment. And it cut out the time we woul have wasted traveling back and forth. The result: ever spare minute was spent with our brushes and paint bucket

One of the extra things we wanted was a patio, and b cause our housing units weren't large, we felt that, durin the summer, an enclosed outdoor area would serve almo as an additional room. The patio started with a big pile rocks, a rough drawing, and a lot of determination. Sever months and $500 later, it was finished as you see it her

As an estimator for a building contractor, John comes i contact with all the products available for constructio That's part of the reason we wanted to try our wings an use new materials in new ways. We utilized long-lastin easy-maintenance materials throughout the house.

On the patio, for instance, we experimented with patter and textures of materials, combining redwood panels wit fiberglass, painted perforated hardboard, and rope lacin

We did some experimenting with materials inside, to Because we liked the rugged texture of rough blocks ar weeping mortar, one wall of our dining area is finished— rather *un*-finished that way. It's surprising the comment creates. A lot of our friends still wonder when and how w intend to finish the wall.

With the greatest share of our budget going into buildin we didn't have much left for furniture. Luckily, both Jo and I had had "bachelor" apartments, so we at least ha the basic furniture items and needed only some accessori to pull things together.

The oil painting in the dining area is an original, done b a friend of ours. The plaster frieze over the sofa, and th grandfather's clock both came from John's grandparent home. Although we're not what you could call antique co lectors, we do like to blend old and new things and appre ate one or two antiques in our contemporary home.

Everything considered, we couldn't be happier with th results we got for the money we had.

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Mr. and Mrs. Stanford L. Optner
Los Angeles, California

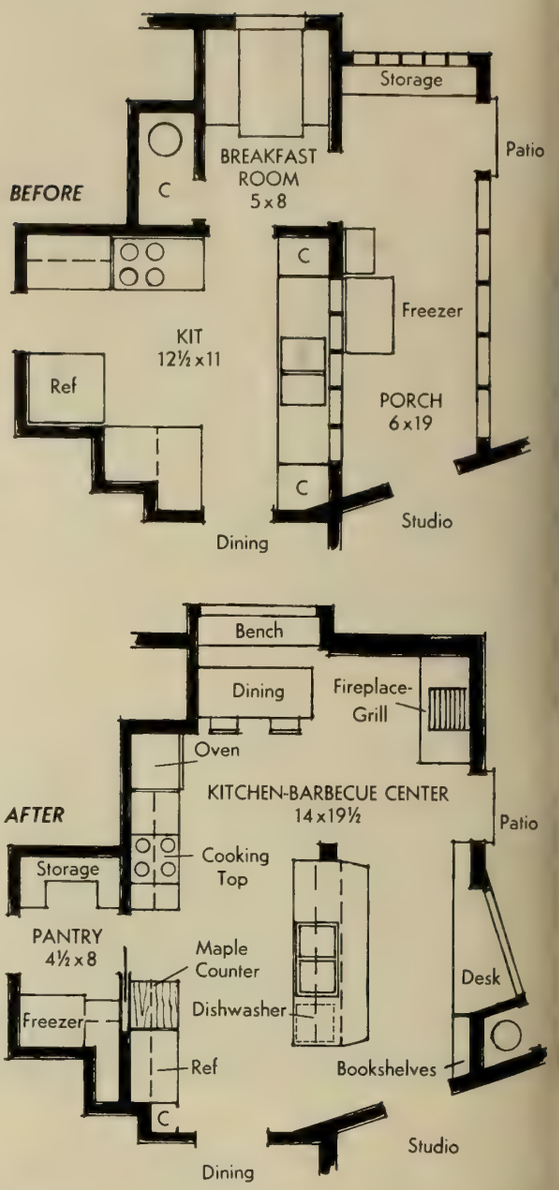
"I used to walk miles to make a tuna sandwich"

The maze of little cubicles we used to call our kitchen fairly shouted the need for a change. Lofty ceilings, peephole windows, and makeshift work centers were added incentives for the redo. Realizing this would take time and plenty of budget juggling, we started investigating the possibilities. Bigger windows and fewer walls would give us the space for the roomy kitchen we pictured. And, if we did the kitchen contracting ourselves, we found we could cut our anticipated budget nearly 33% and include the necessary extras.

Armed with these ideas and the will to remodel, we marched into our kitchen designer's office. When we emerged a few hours later, we had a long list of new questions. What appliances were to be included? Did we want a barbecue-fireplace? What were the limits of our space and budget? After we settled these and many more basics, we would then be ready to start our paper and pencil planning. And, after two months of exploring numerous kitchen plans on paper, we pinpointed our wants. Blueprints were drawn and our plan to do our own kitchen contracting was about to be put to the test.

With the invasion of the tear-out and rough-in crews, the translating of plans into kitchen turned into an average of 6 crises each day. For example, when the cement man was pouring, we had to find out where various walls went, so bolts could be anchored into the concrete. When the electrician came to put in the conduit before the brick man went to work, we had to think vertically to envision where the outlets went. Through all this, eating off paper plates and wading in sawdust became less and less a picnic. On weekends, the family project was the pebble mosaic above the range. Each daughter designed one panel. Father fitted the figures in place and Mom set the background pieces. The completed panel was installed by the tile setter along with the rest of the ceramic-tile counter and back splash.

The pieces of space left around the refrigerator didn't look like much on the floor plan, but honeycombed with cabinets and fitted with a maple chopping block, this area became the spot for making that tuna fish sandwich as well as a place where the girls could pack their lunches while waiting for the breakfast toast to pop up. No one was exactly sure when the kitchen was finished, but suddenly we were having mountains of fun barbecuing every night. Our kitchen was "just what we had envisioned." Our contracting days were voted a success.





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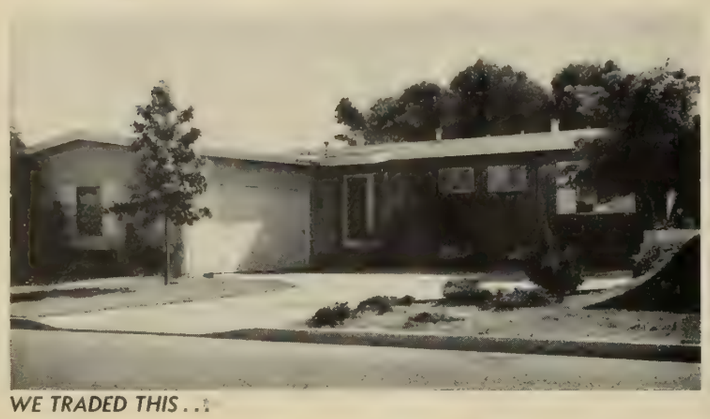






Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Cartwright
La Mesa, California

"Trade houses? We didn't even know we could!"

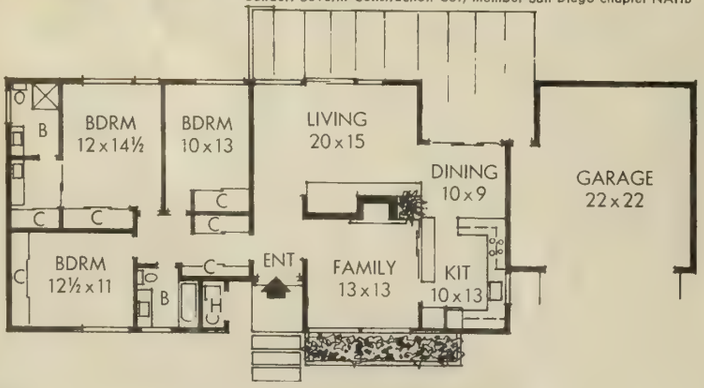


WE TRADED THIS . . .

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Photographs: George de Gennaro. Architect: Edward H. Fickett, AIA. Builder: Severin Construction Co., member San Diego chapter NAHB



Our hopes for a new house seemed stymied. We needed the money tied up in our old house to make a down payment on a new one. But, if we went ahead and sold our house before we bought a new one, we might find ourselves with no house at all. We could buy a new house with "earnest money" and promise the down payment when we got possession. But, we might wind up with two houses and a shortage of cash. Added to these problems, we found our house was hard to sell in competition with new, no-down-payment development houses.

In the midst of all this confusion over what to do about getting a new house, we read a newspaper ad about a builder who accepted older houses as a down payment on his new models. We'd never heard of trading houses, but decided it was worth investigating. We did—and now we have the new house we wanted.

Here's how trading worked for us. Our old house cost $14,425 in late 1955. We spent an additional $2,100 to add a room and make some general improvements. When we decided to trade, our house was appraised at $17,400 by an independent appraiser. The builder of our new house offered us this amount less a 6 per cent sales commission and the cost of necessary presale repairs. We felt this was fair because we would have had to pay a 6 per cent commission to any realtor who sold the house.

Trading houses let us transfer our equity directly to the down payment on our new home, without getting into any of the fixes we'd been afraid of. Trading had another much-appreciated advantage: We didn't have realtors and their clients tramping through our home while we were in a mess because of packing.

Our new house is everything we wanted. It has a separate family room right next to the kitchen, where my wife, Jean, can keep an eye on Billy, Gail, and Doug. When company comes before dishes are done, we can slide the screens across the kitchen to hide the mess. That's the only extra room we gained, but every room is bigger in the new house. We have a decent-sized dining room, a separate entry with a closet—and, we have *two* fireplaces.

The other things we like are harder to see. The floor plan is more convenient and the house is built better. We like our new neighborhood, too—all the houses are about the same quality and blend together without monotony.

Housing trade-ins were originated as a stimulus to sales, but they've proved to be a real boon to buyers as well. If you are interested in trading, ask both selling and lending agencies in your area whether or not they trade—then shop carefully. Plans vary widely and include those set up by builders, realtors, mortgage companies, and savings and loan associations.

Typical plans guarantee you an agreed-upon price for your present home, but leave you free to get a better price if you can do so within a specified time. (With builders, this time limit usually means completion of your new home.) If you are moving to another city and don't have time to sell your house before moving day, you may even be able to trade your present home in on a house in your new city!









Mr. and Mrs. Frank Laney
Atherton, California

"When we first moved in, we had a plan for outdoor living."







Photographs: Braun

Six years ago, Marge and I decided that we wanted a well-planned garden with areas for fun and outdoor living that the entire family could enjoy together.

We bought a complete plan from Landscape Architect Mary Gordon and set about to do most of the work ourselves. We did what we wanted when we had the time and money for each project. Now the job is practically complete, and, without putting a price tag on our own labor, the total cash outlay amounts to about half of the original estimate. Of course, there's been some sacrifice; for instance, we knew when we started that we would have to give up our vacations.

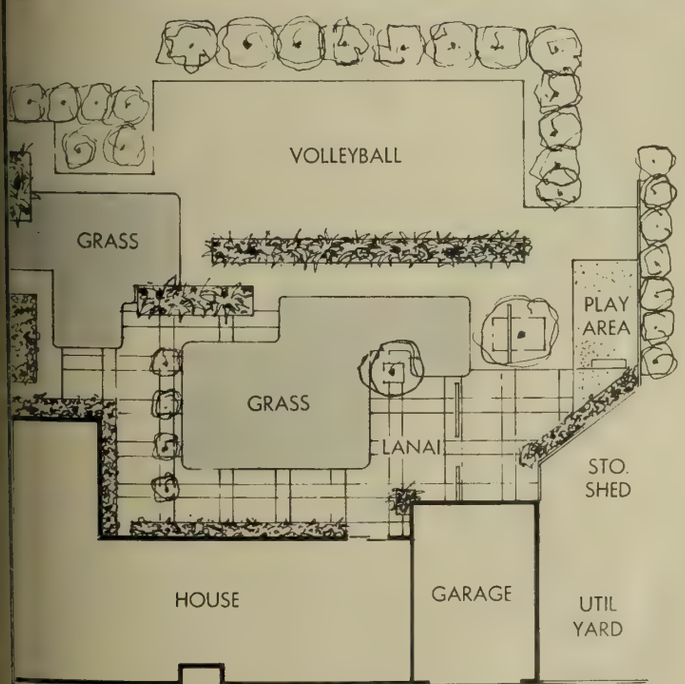
To satisfy everybody, we decided to have the whole place landscaped—play yard, volleyball court, lanai, kitchen garden, and planting areas. The children, Lynne, Todd, Brian, and Greg, have their own special play area. It's covered with gravel to eliminate tracking dirt into the house. And there's a drinking fountain, too, (top left) which saves many trips into the kitchen.

The volleyball court is fun for all of us (I especially need the exercise). Asphalt surfacing of the court was the one thing I hired done, but I did put in a backstop at one end for the youngsters' baseball game. Next, I'm going to paint yellow lines for a badminton court inside the existing white ones for volleyball.

For general relaxation, we have the lanai off the family room. I built the 12x18-foot roof of corrugated aluminum and plastic panels set into egg-crate-design wood framing. It gives us all the shade we need. The screen in the rear of the lanai provides wind protection. The frame is 6½ feet high and is covered with plastic window screening.

As for all the plants, Marge did the selecting—she knows good healthy stock when she sees it, and that's important. I set out 260 plants, including trees. The cost was $535.00, but spread out over the six-year period, we didn't notice so much the expense or the work.

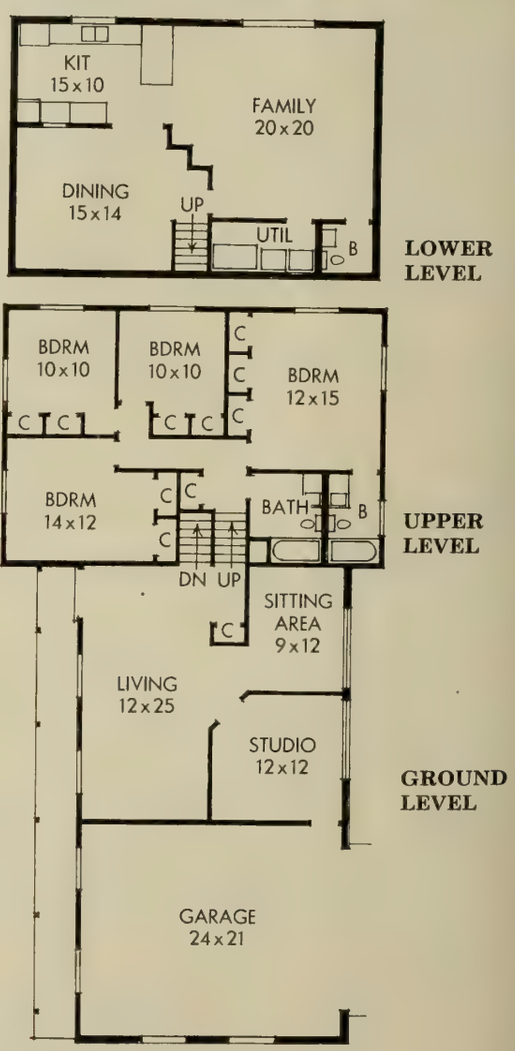
One of the trickiest jobs was laying the lawn sprinkling system, because sections of it go around curves. It cost $425.00 for parts alone, so I never think of what it would have been as a hired job. Some of the costs may seem high—$560.00 for fence materials, $240.00 for concrete to set posts, and $200 for rock and gravel—but remember that this is prorated over a period of six years. For your own projects, the time and cost are up to you. For me, the total expense was $4,075.00. When I divide that by six, I come up with a figure that is less per year than it would have cost us to take our annual vacation—but what we've gained in family living far outweighs any loss.



This plan shows area immediately behind the home. Note relationship of the sections—all handy to one another and to the house.

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Mr. and Mrs. James Shaughnessy
Saint Louis, Missouri

"It's amazing what we gained by finishing a shell house"

Sue and I had been thinking about a new house for seven years before we found how to get what we wanted. Custom building was too expensive and we couldn't find a house we wanted in a subdivision. As our family increased—from four to six—our housing needs increased, too.

Then we learned that some of the homes we'd admired, but couldn't afford, were offered as shells by the builder. (In other words, the outside is complete; inside, only the subflooring and wall studs are done. It's up to the buyer to finish the house.) For operating money, we sold our old house and moved into an apartment. Then we made a down payment on our lot and started our new house.

We chose a 2,500-square-foot split level and modified the floor plan to suit our own requirements. Our builder got bids for us from plumbers, electricians, and other subcontractors, but we negotiated on our own with each of them. This way, we got the benefit of the builder's know-how but took on all the responsibility in order to save a general contractor's fee.

From the time the foundation was poured, Sue was at the site nearly every day, acting as Field General. After the shell was completed and the electrical, heating, and plumbing contractors were done, it was our turn. We worked evenings and weekends all last summer—hanging doors, painting, laying floors, installing trim, and doing all the other jobs of finishing a house. By the first of September, we had seeded the lawn—even the girls helped spread the straw mulch. They did other jobs, too. The older ones were wonderful for painting small closets, and they all did a great job of picking up scraps left by the workmen.

We certainly learned a lot about evaluating work. The hardest job was painting, and it's the first one everybody thinks about. One of the easiest jobs, surprisingly, was installing the kitchen cabinets.

Completing our house was not an easy job. We couldn't have done it if Sue hadn't been able to follow instructions, make on-the-spot decisions, and supervise the work while I was busy during the daytime.

Finishing a shell paid handsomely, not with a bigger bank balance, but as additional equity in our new house. What it amounts to is that our labor paid for about ten per cent of our home. And it's a much better home than we could have afforded to buy already finished.

We would certainly be willing to do it again, not just because of the equity we earned, but because we got just the house we wanted and because it belongs to us in a special way that an already-finished house never could.

50 men and women put their heads together to design this wonderful house!





Better Homes & Gardens has a lively interest in helping people get more for their housing dollars. One way we help is through Housing Forums which we sponsor with a successful, forward-looking local builder and the Housing Market Research company. So far, *Better Homes & Gardens* has conducted 27 Forums in 22 cities. These Forums are designed to get better development housing for you.

We know that, for most people, development houses are the most practical solution to housing problems. Because they are built in quantity in one location, they usually offer more space for less money than individually designed houses. Financing is easier, too. But—can you find what you want in a development house? Too often the answer is an emphatic "no!" The reason is simple—the builder does not know what you want.

Some builders load their houses with needless planters, scalloped trim, a "free" kitchen gadget, and other sales gimmicks—poor substitutes for good basic design, good quality, and livability.

We at *Better Homes & Gardens* believe that, if a builder knows what you want, he will try to give it to you. We also believe that, once he knows that people recognize—and will buy—quality houses, he will have no need to resort to gimmicks. This is where Housing Forums come in—they help the builder learn what you want.

Here's how a Forum works: representative men and women with a cross section of backgrounds and incomes are invited as delegates to the two-day Forum. They answer hundreds of questions designed to find out what each of them wants in his next house. Then they sit down *with a specific budget,* three house plans, and a list of optional features. The plans are in three sizes—and priced accordingly. Each delegate chooses one of three plans and "spends" th balance of his budget for optional features.

The builder, with the help of Housing Market Researc company, then puts the results together so he knows what wanted *in his own area* before he plans his next model.

The house pictured here was "planned" by the Tacom Washington, Forum—and the result is a fine house. Arch tect Robert B. Price, AIA, incorporated the Forum's finc ings into the design. Builder George D. Barclay, a membe of the Tacoma chapter of NAHB, erected this model i his new Mayfair subdivision in Tacoma.

The delegates at Tacoma preferred a one-level, thre bedroom house with 1½ baths. There was a preference fc an open floor plan with combination living and dinir room. (In many parts of the country, there is a trend bac toward separate rooms.) Not too surprisingly, 88 per cer of the delegates wanted all of the bedrooms in the same pa of the house.

The Forum also wanted rooms free of through traffic, patio with privacy, and a kitchen-family room that allow supervision of children playing in the back yard.

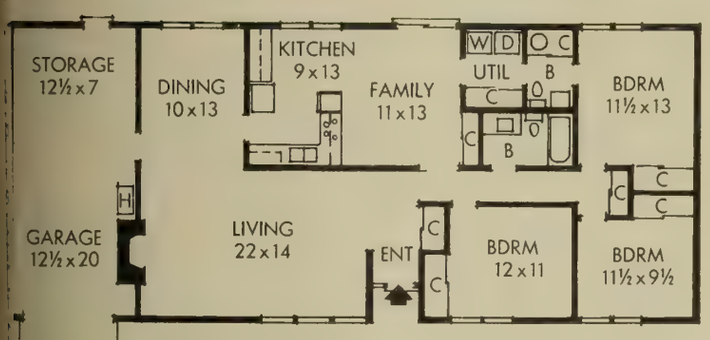
The exterior of the house follows their choice of a simp combination of brick and painted wood siding.

The list of the most wanted extras showed a desire fc freedom from maintenance through better quality ma terials. None of the items are gimmicks—many don't eve show. They all add to the comfort and lasting qualities the home. High on the list were better furnaces, bett hardware, full insulation, and higher grade roofing.

These choices are very like those made at other Forums- proof that people do recognize and want the kind of qualit that gives them a home of lasting value.



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How neighborly should neighbors be?

By H. Allen Smith

Humorist H. Allen Smith doesn't have neighbors; instead, his hilltop home is surrounded by field and forest and is all but invisible from any point within ten miles. Smith says he likes it that way, because these frantic days, only a hermit could possibly write a book — and he has somehow found time to turn out a seemingly endless string of funny-bone commentaries on modern life, including Low Man on a Totem Pole, Life in a Putty Knife Factory, How to Write Without Knowing Nothing, *and, just published this month,* H. Allen Smith Goes to Hell in a Handbasket.

During the course of the last dozen years, ever since I became a domestic philosopher, I have solved most of the problems that beset the average American in his search for equilibrium and good sense in his day-by-day living. It is now time that I glance over the bothersome matter of neighbors and neighborliness. We have reached a high degree of technological civilization, but knots are still being raised on noggins because a dog runs loose in the night or a lady makes outrageous statements about another lady's daytime visitors or an apple falls off a limb and lands on the property next door.

Before getting my teeth into the problem, let me make it clear that we are discussing your neighbor, not you. You are a paragon as a neighbor; you have no faults. The people under our microscope are those half-civilized wretches who surround you on every side. They are the trouble makers.

The word *neighbor* is a verb as well as a noun, and in many parts of the United States it is not uncommon to hear someone say, "We neighbor a lot," or "She doesn't neighbor well," or even "We don't neighbo with them." The person who neighbors too much i often the type known as The Salt of the Earth. I have been acquainted with quite a few individuals who answered to that description, and I have had a difficult time loving them; so difficult, in fact, that I disliked them. Heartily. Among them is the meddle who comes busting into your kitchen, makes a remark about how filthy your sink looks, asks if you have been eating ink soup, and then whips a can of Flicker Off out of her bodice and goes to work. Humming loudly.

Salt-of-the-Earth people insist upon being helpful— at the precise time when you want, more than anything else, to be left alone. They pride themselves on how well they neighbor, believing in quantity over quality and it always seems that *their* kids are the ones who take cornet lessons. Beware of The Salt of the Earth because the chief difficulty in the topic under discussion is *over*-neighboring.

There is a rule in psychology, I think, which goes some of us have such a profound love for humankind that nature compensates by permitting us to dislike



our neighbors. This rule works both ways. Be a bit careful of any neighbor who shows too much affection for you. He probably hates all of humanity, and may have a bomb in his blouse.

We have been through the Togetherness thing and escaped without too many scars. The reaction is strong and growing stronger, and now the architects and interior decorators are beginning to stress the Untogetherness theme. They are designing for individual privacy within the family. It turns out that there are many people who don't *want* to assemble in the rumpus room and rump, who don't *want* to sing along with Mitch. There are blood brothers who grow weary of listening to each other and looking at each other and who would enjoy going into a room and shutting the door and staying there a long while. This need for privacy is highly important among neighbors, too.

I am not suggesting all-out Untogetherness for neighbors. Neighboring is a good thing. You may be able to tell your neighbor how he should cultivate his camellias, while he gives you some valuable tips on the installation of double-hung windows. He can advise you on the best herbs for Spanish *paella*, and in turn you can offer him some wood ashes for his lilacs. He might even know how to fix plumbing that goes thump, and you could explain to him why a tax deduction he has taken is not going to be allowed. The temptation is strong at this point to say that you should never borrow tools from him; but I choose not to fly in the face of a convention that dates back to the day a man invented the wheel and the fellow in the next cave promptly borrowed it.

Just as it is on the highway, common courtesy is the most important single element in neighborly relations. For example, *any* kind of noise early in the morning or late at night is pure poison to your neighbor. You know that already, of course, but do you keep it in mind?

I remember when I was a child in Illinois, our next-door neighbor was a retired preacher, a man who wore baggy clothes and looked like Chester Conklin of the old Mack Sennett movies. He got up at dawn every morning, fell to his knees beside his bed, and prayed in a loud voice for a long time. On Sundays, he revved up the decibels and stretched out the text. He had a cast-iron larynx, and as he prayed his voice grew increasingly powerful until, during the last ten minutes of his supplication, he was trumpeting like a bull elephant. This was not too bad in the wintertime, but in the hot summer months, when all the windows were wide open, he was a nuisance. His roarings and bellowings awakened everybody in the neighborhood, and while people respected his faith, they felt he should address his Creator in more confidential tones. Someone finally wrote an anonymous letter telling him of the unhappiness he was causing his neighbors, and put the letter into his mailbox. He was furious. He thought his creed was being attacked. For a week or two after that, he knelt at his bedroom window and howled his prayers at the great out of doors, almost blowing the shingles off the houses. Then he packed up his family and moved away. Noise is noise, whether it's made by a power mower or a preacher.

Noise as a neighborhood nuisance is often associated, of course, with the activities of children and dogs. Here we come face to face with a true dilemma. One of the great mysteries of life is the triangular relationship between man & dog & neighbor. Stated in simple terms, a man is capable of loving his dog as deeply as he loves his child, whereas he can hate his neighbor's dog with the same intensity that he hates a raging toothache. This places the problem of dogs clear outside the realm of intelligence and logic, and it could stay there except that *I* have to deal with it somehow. I don't know how anybody is going to stop a dog from barking at night. Advise the dog not to do it? Tie up his face? Some people smile and say the solution is simple—just lock him up indoors. I know a man who tried that one night and then announced: "He barked all night and I didn't get a wink of sleep. My wife didn't get a wink of sleep. We are a couple of walking zombies. I tell you, it is not *good* for a dog to keep him indoors at night."

Two irrevocable laws operate in the realm of child behavior and dog villainy. The first is a clear reversal of the well-known legal axiom which says that a person is always innocent until proven guilty. The exact opposite is true with kids and dogs—always and forever, straight up to the United [*Turn to page 108*

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PAPER CUTTING CAPER

By Kay Russell

How many times have you looked at a piece of art work in a museum or enjoyed a child's painting, and said you could do as well? Forget the fact that your version of a bunny rabbit didn't coincide with that of your kindergarten teacher. There are all sorts of bunnies, and hers probably didn't please you either. Discard any thoughts that you can't be creative, for we want to introduce you to a world of magic—by the fascinating tension-easers known as CRAFTS. Willing? Wonderful.

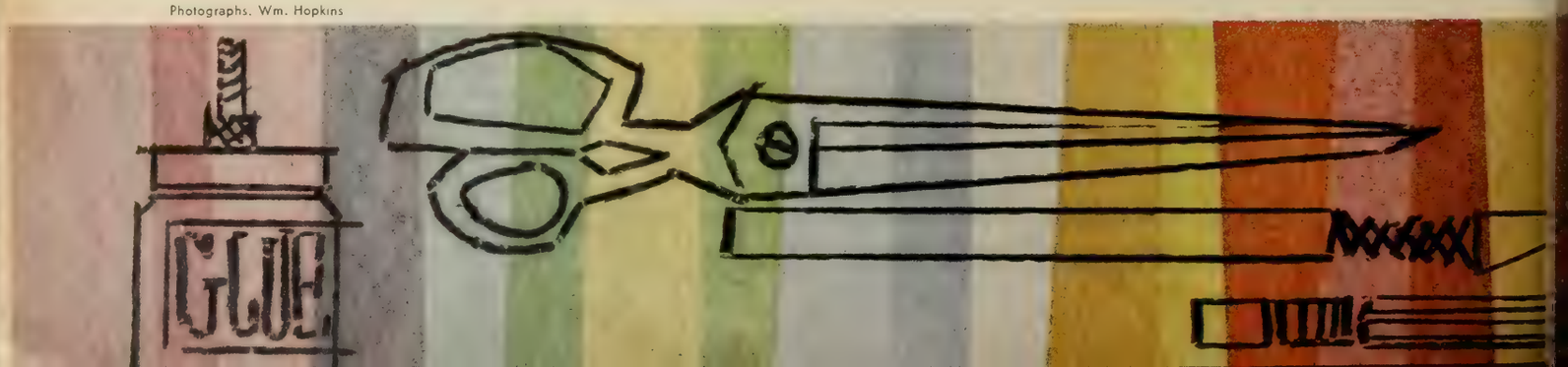
After experimenting with the three basic exercises diagramed on page 87, color, texture, sight, and touch will fire your imagination and open a path to an art or craft. Shown below are the tools needed: pencil, scissors, ruler, various adhesives, clear spray lacquer, artist's knife. Art supply dealers have a wonderful variety of tissue and other papers—and will advise you on best glues and sprays.



Paper posy is made of luscious colored tissue paper—and a of your own daring. You may wish to do a series of fancy flow even switching kinds of paper. Try construction paper or co gated cardboard. You can start with very simple flower sha then work up to more complicated designs. Instructions cutting and mounting the flower above are on page 87.

Tray at the bottom of the picture is one we bought, then d rated. First, we cut sheets of colored tissue, using roun movements. The base is foil paper, cut the same size to the tray. Tissues are cut to the desired design, then pas color over color; finished with clear spray for cleaning. separate areas of color set off plate, cup, and other eleme of your place setting. Remember, each person sees things thro individual eyes, so the finished result should represent yo should be indicative of your taste and color preferences. W you create with this method will aid you in future craft proj we'll be sharing with you.

Photographs, Wm. Hopkins







ained glass panels are triangles of colored tissue, over-
d on each other. Cover glass with desired base color
tissue; apply with clear spray. DO NOT trim edges
til you have completed your design. Lay on shapes,
e at a time. Secure by using ample spray and smooth
th fingers. When dry, trim edges with sharp knife.

The pretty plaid covers a metal container. Cut colored
sue into strips, adhere to container with spray, first
rtically to form a stripe—then horizontally to create
e plain. Fabric glue is applied to ribbon and put across
p and bottom for finished edge. This method of trans-
rent overlay is called veiling.

Paper crafts are so exciting and adventuresome that
u're bound to have kibitzers. It's wonderful training
children, too. Material costs are so low that you can
a lot of practicing before going into full production
the items shown here.

The paper paintings above (and in the photograph to the left) utilize many types of paper with varied surfaces—dull, shiny, textured, smooth, sheer, heavy. Use your imagination. Cut a piece of illustration board to fit the frame you will use. If you want a background color, paste it on first, then cut picture pieces; lay them on dry to settle on your best composition. When satisfied, lift and paste pieces individually, then adhere. This retains your pattern.

Our paintings were made by cutting basic forms, as in original exercises shown on page 87. (Also, directions for the folded-paper plant container are on that same page). Don't slight the exercises. These steps lead to the magic door of your imagination —and expose abilities you never dreamed you had. You might give a thought to forming craft groups.

We're not trying to confuse you with the addition of wooden beads in the above photograph. They're a sneak preview of a feature on beads coming soon in our craft series.

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Flowering branches by a master

NO matter how long winter lingers, there's a
ways the small miracle of flowering branche
—lovingly fostered—to give you a fragran
preview of spring. Here are four easy-to-forc
varieties, arranged with reverent care by on
of Japan's great flower masters—Koshu Tsuji
He composed each grouping with a sparse ac
cent of early-blooming flowers, allowing th
structural beauty of the branches to dominat
each design. But don't be afraid to use the
in solo splendor, spiraling in a corner, or in tin
tufts centered on a low table.

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Soaring spikes of pussy willows, snapdragons in a column vase. Seven willows are cut in varying lengths, bent and twisted into gentle arcs, then wired together. Fasten snapdragons in same manner, then attach to willows. A forked stick is used at the mouth of the vase, to anchor all the stems.

*Hail the humble hedge! Try forcing suc
clippings for a note of bright green
Here, eleven branches are curved into hal
moon composition on large needlepoin
Group daffodils in a triangle at cente
then arrange carnations toward far righ
Rectangular bowl is the perfect containe*



Hawthorn and tulips, classic messengers of spring, form two triangles in a Usabada. Bend and wire two branches together, then cluster tulips at base.

ographs: Hopkins





Magnificent magnolias with gracefully dipping tulips form a strong design in a rough-textured pillow vase. Three branches are curved in opposing directions, secured with a forked stick.

YOU'LL REALLY TAKE THE CAKE

By Myrna Johnston and Foods Staff



Cake Nests with Jellybean Eggs to tickle the youngsters any time and to remember when the Easter Bunny comes hopping along. The nests can be spongecake dessert cups from the store or rounds cut out of a sheet cake with a big cooky cutter. All you do is coat them with 7-minute Frosting, sprinkle with green coconut, fill with candy eggs. For a centerpiece, we put posies in a bunny bowl.



Cake of the Dancing Dolls Around they go, holding hands and pigtails flying. Takes only a single sheet of bright pink paper for a whole string of these dolly cutouts. For your birthday girl, add a circle of candles in Gumdrop Petal Holders. Here we have a White Cake with a Strawberry Frosting.

Photographs: Allen Snook

They're that pretty! And they taste as good as they look! Make cake and their frostings from recipes or mixes, trim fast with candy.

Drum Cake—strike up the band for this one! We predict it will bring you salvos of applause from the man in your life, be he five or fifty-five. For the base of the drum, use our Best Two-egg Cake (or call on a box of yellow-cake mix). Cover the cake layers with Butter-cream Frosting. Use candy sugar sticks to "hold drum together" at sides and as drumsticks, up top, with sour-ball ends. Light a tall red candle.



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YOU'LL REALLY TAKE THE CAKE! *Continued*

Parasol Cake brings showers of praise. Big effect for little effort! We're talking about these miniature Japanese umbrellas from the dime store. Open some wide, leave others partly shut, then anchor the handles in your cake. A pretty way simply to herald in spring-shower time, if you're looking for an excuse to give a party. For a bridal shower, choose parasols in pastel colors. Here, hidden under parasols and Marshmallow Frosting, is tender, fresh-tasting Orange Sponge Cake—quite springy all by itself. Whip up our recipe—or choose an easy sponge- or chiffon-cake mix.

Spring Bonnet Cake—very very chic! Food fashion decrees Marshmallow Daisies for the trim this season. You merely press nice big soft marshmallows lightly to flatten a bit, then snip petals, and center with small yellow gumdrops (toothpicks tack them in place). The leaves? They're gumdrops that come in that shape—we split them in half to make them a daintier size. The green ribbon bow is cut from a fat gumdrop we rolled out flat. The hat itself is created from Chiffon Layer Cake and Pineapple 7-minute Frosting.





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Cake Canaveral with a chocolate pad
Here's how to send your little spaceman into orbit! The launching pad is two layers of Devil's Food Cake with Chocolate Cream-cheese Frosting. The bottom provides a bunker of walnut halves and slabs of filled chocolate mints (they come in oblong shape, and we cut them in half diagonally, set them on edge). There's more mint "equipment" on the top deck—for radar and to secure the candle rocket. Time to blast off? Light the rocket and let your spaceboy start the countdown—10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1. Pow! The cake will be demolished by happy munchers.

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Spring breakfast at Brennan's

NEW ORLEANS

from 9:00 a.m. to midnight! In the Brennan kitchen, there's a fast tempo, but for guests there is the leisurely "fork breakfast" (*dejeuner a la fourchette*) with all the gracious Southern hospitality of plantation days. Even the menu entreats diners not to hurry—and some patrons have been known to come in the morning and stay on for an evening meal in the soft glow of candles and crystal chandeliers. A "typical New Orleans breakfast" starts with grilled grapefruit, continues with Eggs Hussarde, and builds up to a grand finale of Bananas Foster, as prepared by William C. Proctor, at right.





This bright Sunday morning finds Owen and Barbara Brennan breakfasting with two of the many young family candidates for "future management," their niece and nephew, Lally and Ralph. The eye opener is a Brennan inspiration—lush fruits of the season marinated overnight in fresh juice gently accented with aromatic bitters. Here in the restaurant courtyard, guests can sit amidst magnolias and palms and banana trees even on chilly days—radiant heaters take any nip out of the air.

For Eggs Benedict, nice crispy rusks (they never sog down) are topped by form-fitting rounds of grilled Canadian bacon, then perfect poached eggs with a goodly ladle of Hollandaise Sauce and a truffle trim. (Eggs are big business at Brennan's—guests polish off some 3,000 on a Sunday.) When you order a "traditional Brennan breakfast," your Egg Benedict is followed by a hearty sirloin with fresh mushrooms, hot French bread and marmalade, a dessert of crepes Suzette, and cafe au lait.

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Photographs: Bill Hedrich, Hedrich-Blessing



Breakfast at Brennan's *Continued*

Shrimp Etouffe

Even the gourmets of New Orleans' French Quarter get excited over this—

1 medium onion, finely chopped
2 finely chopped green onions
3 or 4 cloves garlic, minced
¼ cup finely chopped celery
½ cup butter
. . .
2 tablespoons flour
2½ cups water
1 10½-ounce can (1¼ cups) tomato puree
2 bay leaves
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
4 drops Tabasco sauce
1 teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon sugar
½ teaspoon whole thyme, crushed
⅛ teaspoon pepper
. . .
1 pound (3 cups) cleaned raw shrimp (2 pounds in shell)
2 hard-cooked eggs, quartered

In large skillet saute onion, green onions, garlic, and celery in butter till tender. Add flour; cook and stir until lightly browned. Add water, tomato puree, bay leaves, Worcestershire and Tabasco sauces, and seasonings. Simmer uncovered, stirring occasionally, 25 minutes or until sauce is almost desired consistency. Add shrimp and continue cooking 15 minutes. Garnish with quartered eggs. Serve with parsleyed rice. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Bananas Foster

At Brennan's, this dessert (picture on page 64) is flamed at your table—

6 large all-yellow bananas
Lemon juice
1 cup brown sugar
½ cup butter
Cinnamon

Peel bananas and halve lengthwise; brush with lemon juice. Melt brown sugar and butter in flat chafing dish. Add bananas; cook just until tender. Sprinkle with cinnamon. Serve as is or with vanilla ice cream. Six servings.

Brennan's Garlic Bread

So crisp it shatters when you break it—

1 loaf French bread
4 cloves garlic
½ cup butter, melted
¼ cup grated Parmesan cheese
1 tablespoon minced parsley
½ teaspoon paprika

Thoroughly rub outside crust of bread with 2 slightly crushed cloves of garlic. Split loaf in half lengthwise and place each half, crust down, on cooky sheet. Put remaining 2 cloves garlic through garlic press and combine with melted butter; brush over cut surfaces. Mix remaining ingredients; sprinkle over buttered surface. Cut in 2-inch bias slices. Heat on baking sheet at 350° 12 to 15 minutes or until very hot.

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Shrimp Etouffe (say *ay-too-fay*) is a spring favorite with all patrons, and especially with Mardi Gras revelers who stop at Brennan's for a midnight breakfast. This Creole recipe for shrimp in a deliciously spiced tomato puree has been handed down from generation to generation of New Orleanians, each family adding its own variation. None better than this!



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TAKE A LB. OF FISH FILLETS TAKE A CAN OF SOUP — NOW-TASTE WHAT GOOD THINGS HAPPEN



MUSHROOM FISH FILLETS

Stir 1 can Campbell's Cream of Mushroom Soup; pour over fish.* Top with 1 tbsp. each chopped parsley and pimiento. Bake in hot oven (400°F) 20 min. 4 servings.

TOMATO FISH FILLETS

Stir 1 can Campbell's Tomato Soup; pour over fish.* Top with 6 thin lemon slices. Bake in hot oven (400°F) 20 min. 4 simply souper servings of delicious fish.

CELERY FISH FILLETS

Stir 1 can Campbell's Cream of Celery Soup; pour over fish.* Top with 8 thin cucumber slices, sprinkle with paprika. Bake in hot oven (400°F) 20 min. 4 servings.







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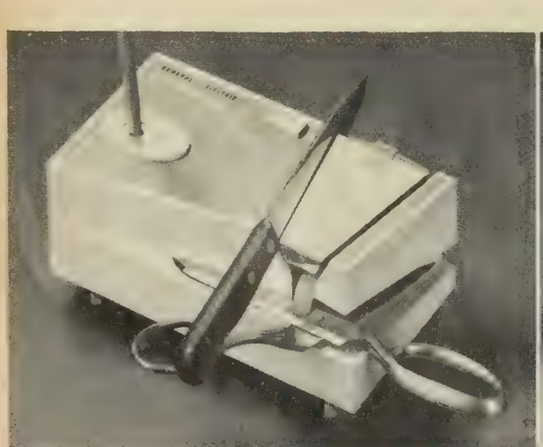
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Breakfast at Brennan's

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Manager Ella Brennan Martin ook over direction of the Brennan staurant kitchen when she was st a girl of 18. She studied ancient ench and Southern cook books, id with the help of Head Chef aul Blange, developed recipes for e most popular dishes of old New rleans.

The Brennan success story is ised on a challenge first accepted the late founder (Ella's brother) and now by all the Brennan an: To show the world that a ench-Quarter Irish family can n a Creole restaurant second to ne.

Now for the recipes.

gs Benedict

Top crisp rusks with slices of illed Canadian-style bacon and ft-poached Eggs. Ladle Holndaise Sauce over the eggs and rinkle with paprika. Garnish th truffle slices and sprigs of rsley. Serve immediately.

Soft-poached Eggs: In large ucepan, heat water (about an tave deep) to boiling. Add a tle vinegar and salt. Break each g into a saucedish, then slide egg to the water, tipping dish toward ge of pan. Keep heat low—don't water boil. When soft cooked, out 3 to 5 minutes, remove eggs th slotted spoon or pancake turn-

To keep hot until ready to ve, transfer eggs to warm water inches deep).

llandaise Sauce

4 egg yolks
1 to 2 tablespoons lemon juice
½ pound (2 sticks or 1 cup) butter, melted
¼ teaspoon salt

top of double boiler, beat egg lks slightly and stir in lemon ce. Place over *hot, not boiling* wa—don't allow water in bottom n to touch top pan. Add butter a le at a time, stirring constantly th wooden spoon. Add the salt, d pepper to taste. Continue oking slowly just until mixture ckens—stir all the time. Makes up.

ab-meat Ravigotte

e kind of rich main dish you're proud erve to company—

¼ cup butter
⅓ cup chopped green pepper
¼ cup flour
teaspoon salt
Dash cayenne
cups milk
⅓ cup coarsely chopped pimiento
tablespoons drained capers
teaspoons tarragon vinegar
cups lump crab meat
½ recipe (½ to ⅔ cup) Hollandaise Sauce
or 6 rusks

a saucepan, melt butter; add en pepper and cook till tender. r in flour, salt, and cayenne. adually blend in milk and cook, ring constantly, over low heat il sauce thickens. Add pimiento, ers, vinegar, and crab meat. at through on low heat. Remove n heat and fold in Hollandaise Sauce. Serve on crisp rusks. Garnish with paprika and chopped parsley. Makes 5 or 6 servings.

Eggs Hussarde

Two French sauces—Hollandaise coupled with Marchand de Vin—make these eggs a specialty of the house—

Lay slices of grilled Canadian bacon on crisp rusks and cover with Marchand de Vin Sauce. Top with grilled tomato slices, then Soft-poached Eggs. Ladle Hollandaise Sauce over and garnish with a sprinkling of paprika.

Marchand de Vin Sauce

A deep-brown butter sauce—the flavor fairly sings—

½ cup butter
⅓ cup finely chopped mushrooms
½ cup minced ham
⅓ cup finely chopped shallots or green onions
½ cup finely chopped onion
2 or 3 cloves garlic, minced
2 tablespoons flour
⅛ teaspoon pepper
Dash cayenne
¾ cup beef stock
½ cup cooking claret

In a 9-inch skillet melt butter and lightly saute the mushrooms, ham, shallots, onion, and garlic. When the onion is tender, add the flour, pepper, and cayenne. Brown nicely, about 7 to 10 minutes, stirring constantly. Blend in the stock and the wine. Cover and simmer over low heat about 15 minutes, stirring now and then. Makes 1½ cups.

Better Homes & Gardens Test-Kitchen note: For beef stock, you may use ½ cup canned condensed beef broth and ¼ cup water.

Chicken Marchand de Vin

A magnificent sauce makes a sophisticated dress-up for fried chicken—

Choose a 2½- to 3-pound ready-to-cook broiler-fryer chicken, disjointed. Dredge chicken pieces in seasoned flour and fry until tender, covering when golden brown. Transfer chicken to baking dish; pour Marchand de Vin Sauce over. Bake uncovered in moderate oven (350°) 15 to 20 minutes. Makes 3 or 4 servings.

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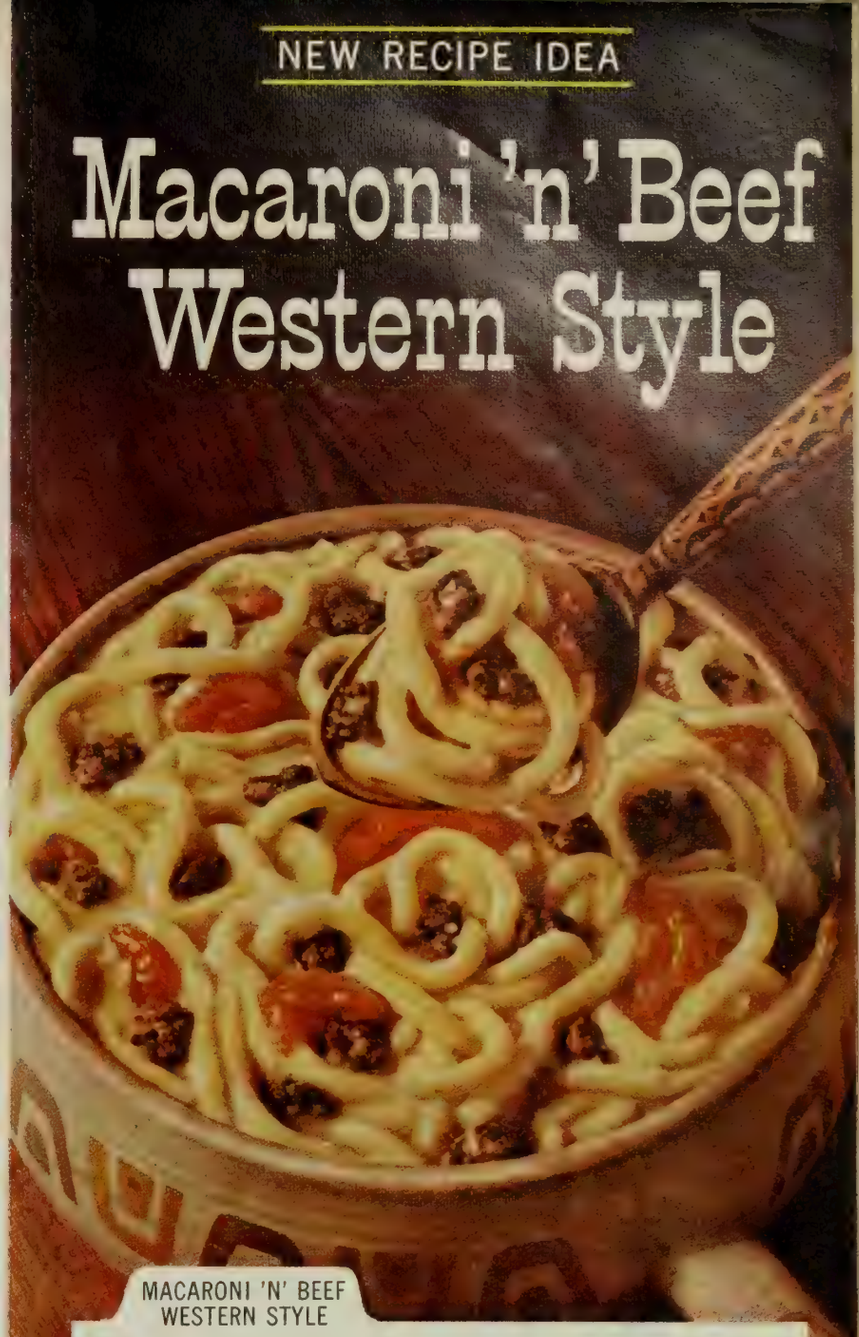
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MACARONI 'N' BEEF WESTERN STYLE

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The smooth golden cheese sauce in FRANCO-AMERICAN Macaroni is given a hearty Western-type flavor by adding ground beef and plump tomatoes. Here's a robust dish that is just the thing for man-sized appetites and takes just minutes to make.

- 1 pound ground beef
- ½ cup chopped onion
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ⅛ teaspoon pepper
- ⅛ teaspoon basil
- 2 cans Franco-American Macaroni
- 1 can (1 pound) tomatoes, drained

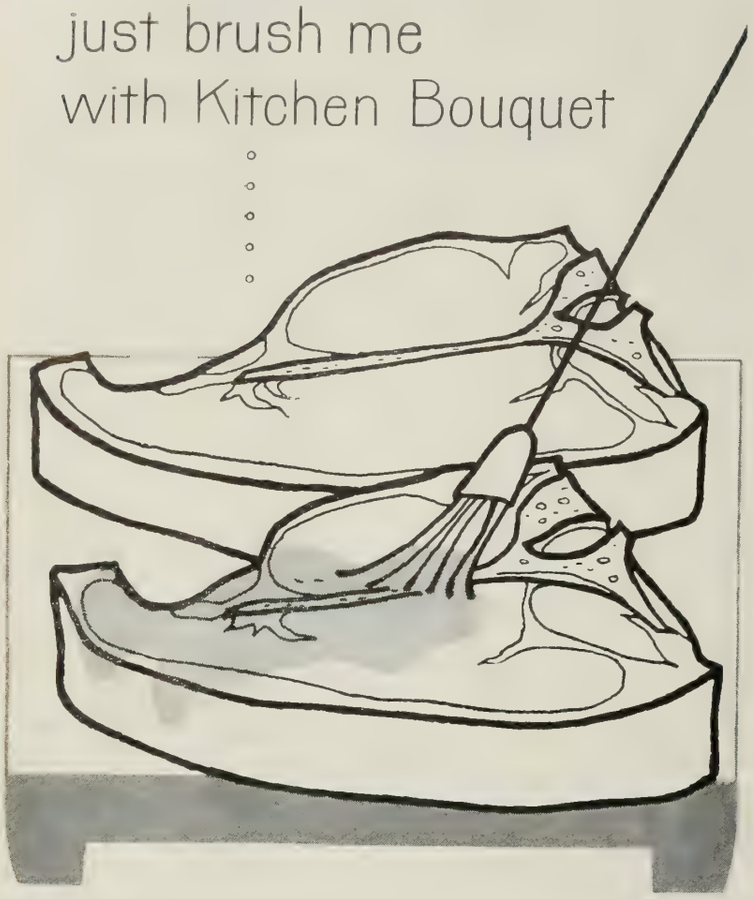


In skillet, cook beef, onion, salt, pepper, and basil until meat is brown and onion is tender; stir to separate meat particles. Add macaroni and tomatoes. Heat, stirring now and then. 4 to 6 servings.

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Breakfast at Brennan's

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Tournedos Royal

Each tender steak is topped with Bearnaise Sauce, then with an artichoke cup stuffed with sweetbreads—

¼ cup butter or margarine
½ cup chopped onion
¼ cup fine dry bread crumbs
½ teaspoon paprika
1 teaspoon capers
1 teaspoon chopped truffles
Pinch powdered thyme
1 cup finely chopped cooked sweetbreads
• • •
4 cooked artichoke cups*
4 filets mignons, 12 to 14 ounces each
½ cup Bearnaise Sauce

In small skillet, melt butter and saute onion, bread crumbs, paprika, capers, truffles, and thyme until onion is tender. Add sweetbreads and heat through. Remove skillet from heat. Divide mixture in 4 portions and roll into balls. Place each ball in an artichoke cup and keep warm while preparing rest of dish: Season filets, and grill to taste. Pour about 2 tablespoons Bearnaise Sauce over each filet and place stuffed artichoke cup on top. Makes 4 servings.

*Available in cans. (These are artichoke bottoms or *fonds*, about 2 inches in diameter.)

Bearnaise Sauce

A beautiful, tart sauce; traditional with steak, chicken, lamb chops—

2 egg yolks
1 tablespoon lemon juice
¾ cup butter, melted
1 tablespoon drained capers
2 tablespoons chopped parsley
1½ teaspoons tarragon vinegar
Salt and pepper

In top of double boiler, beat egg yolks with lemon juice until blended. Place over *hot, not boiling* water —don't allow water in bottom pan to touch top pan. Slowly add melted butter, stirring constantly with a wooden spoon. Cook and stir just till mixture thickens. Remove from heat and add capers, parsley, vinegar, and salt and pepper to taste. Stir to mix. Makes about 1 cup.

Hamburger Steak, Brennan

Really special when served with Sauce Maison—

2 pounds ground beef
¼ cup minced shallots or green onions
¼ cup minced white onion
½ cup toasted fine rusk crumbs
Dash nutmeg
1 teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon pepper
2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
1 tablespoon chopped parsley
2 eggs

Combine all ingredients thoroughly and shape into 6 oval patties. Grill to preferred doneness.

Sauce Maison

¼ pound (½ cup) butter
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
¾ cup *glace de viande* (from beef)*
Pinch chopped parsley

Melt butter, heating until golden brown. Add Worcestershire sauce and *glace de viande;* cook 1 minu
Add parsley. Serve with Ha
burger Steak, Brennan.
*Or use canned condensed b
broth.

Hors d'oeuvre Crab Ravigot

*An appetizer salad, spiked with hor
radish and mustard—*

½ cup mayonnaise
1 tablespoon minced parsley
1 tablespoon drained capers, finely chopped
1½ teaspoons dry mustard
1½ teaspoons prepared horseradish
1 tablespoon chopped pimiento
1 hard-cooked egg, finely chopp
¼ teaspoon lemon juice
• • •
1 cup lump crab meat

Thoroughly mix first 8 ingredien
Add crab meat and toss lightl
chill. Heap into shell or ramek
for individual serving. Garni
with crisscross of pimiento strips a
half-slices tomato. Makes 4 servin

Spanish Rice

*Saffron gives this Creole favorite
distinctive flavor and yellow color.
with chicken. Excellent!—*

½ cup chopped green pepper
¾ cup chopped white onion
⅓ cup chopped ham
½ teaspoon Spanish saffron, crushed
⅓ cup butter
3 cups cooked rice
½ teaspoon white pepper
⅓ cup chopped pimiento
1 tablespoon liquid from pimie

In a 9-inch skillet over medi
heat, saute green pepper, onic
ham, and saffron in butter un
vegetables are tender. Stir in ri
pepper, pimiento, and pimie
liquid; heat through. Salt to tas
Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Praline Parfait Sauce

*Spooned over vanilla ice cream, it ma
a luscious Southern sundae—*

2 cups dark corn syrup
⅓ cup sugar
⅓ cup boiling water
1 cup chopped pecans, toasted

Combine syrup, sugar, and wa
in a saucepan. Bring to boiling o
medium heat, stirring constant
As soon as mixture reaches boili
remove from heat, Cool, add
cans. Makes 2½ cups.

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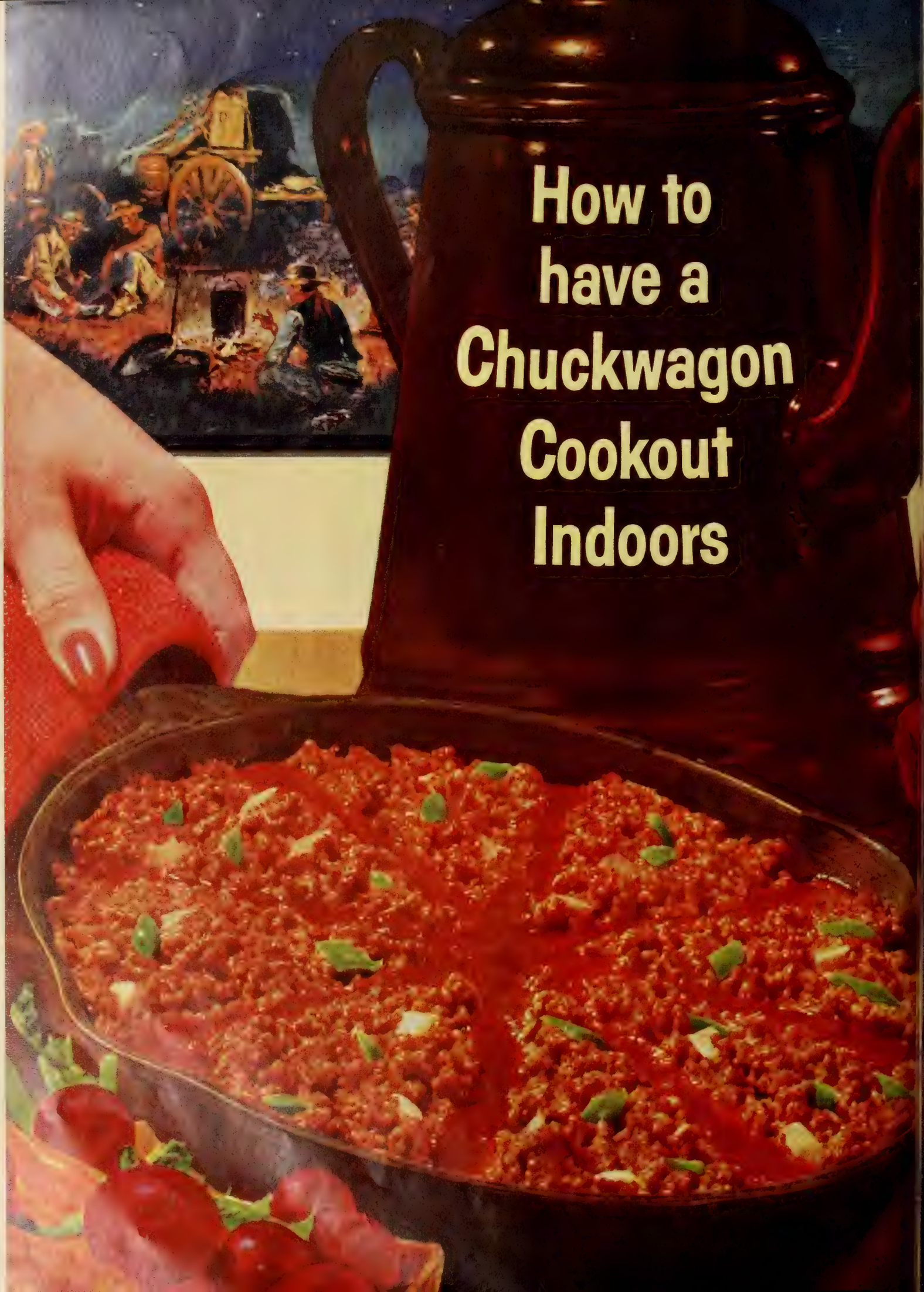
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Chuckwagon
Cookout
Indoors

Bring your iron skillet right to the table for this gay Chuckwagon party! Make boiled coffee (with egg shells or a whole egg) in your big barbecue coffee pot and serve in mugs. Follow recipes below, include a tossed green salad and you have good food that's hearty. Guests come in sports clothes if they don't have blue jeans and everybody has a wonderful time—including you! (Such an easy party to give!)

Wagon Wheel Hamburger. Combine 2 lbs. ground beef, ½ cup Kraft Barbecue Sauce, ½ cup dry bread crumbs, 2 beaten eggs, ¼ cup finely chopped onion, ¼ cup chopped green pepper and 1 teaspoon salt, mixing lightly. Put into an 8-inch skillet and bake at 325°, 35 minutes. Make a spoke design on top with barbecue sauce during last 15 minutes. Cut in wedges and serve.

Buckaroo Beans. Combine two 1-pound cans baked beans with ½ cup Kraft Barbecue Sauce in a casserole. Bake 1 hour at 350°. The wonderful cookout flavor of Kraft Barbecue Sauce bakes right into the beans. Use Kraft Hickory Smoke flavored Barbecue Sauce, and you give them a taste of real hickory smoke.

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Take the cake

Begins on page 60

Lollypop Birthday Cake

For our dear little girl on this month's cover, we grew a garden of the daintiest lollypops we could find—one for each child at the party. The lollypop sticks are slipped inside cellophane sippers. That way the kiddies can pull the lollypops out from the top without getting into the frosting—no sticky fingers! For leaves, snitch a few from your ivy plant or use gumdrop spearmint leaves. Under the Peppermint 7-minute Frosting, we suggest layers of velvety White Cake or our Best Two-egg Cake.

Cake of the Dancing Dolls

Fill and frost layers of White Cake with Strawberry Frosting. Center with a ring of Dancing Dolls as pictured on page 60. Around serving plate, arrange red birthday candles in Gumdrop Petal Holders.

Dancing dolls: We used a strip of bright pink paper, 19¼x4 inches. At narrow side, make a fold 2⅛ inches wide for a measure, then fold the paper over and over on itself till you come to end of strip. Now fold double to make narrow panel. On open side, snip out a half-silhouette, leaving attached at braids, hands, and skirt hems. Unfold—there you have 9 dolls!—fasten first and last with cellophane tape to make circle. (For the cutest dolls, cut 'em chubby, and don't forget to round the cheeks between braids and neck.)

Gumdrop Petal Holders: For each you'll need 2 fat gumdrops in different shades of the same color—we chose red and pink. (If the candy is soft, let stand overnight to dry a little.) From the outside of each gumdrop, snip off 5 long petals and overlap sticky-side up, bending upwards to form flower. Pinch end of each petal to shape. Press a pink flower inside a red, and insert birthday candle firmly in center.

To tint coconut for Cake Nests with Jellybean Eggs (page 60): We used shredded coconut, but the flaked works fine, too. Place coconut in a jar. Add a few drops of green food coloring. Cover and shake till coconut is uniform in color.

Gumdrop bow for Spring Bonnet Cake (page 62): Between sheets of waxed paper, roll out 2 large green gumdrops in long strips (have sugar on both sides of candy). Cut strips lengthwise in two and trim ½ inch wide. For each loop of bow, bend one end of strip back and tuck behind the Marshmallow Daisy in center of hat brim (frosting will hold in place). Complete bow by adding two strips with ends snipped to a point.

Instructions for the other cake decorations shown are given with their pictures on pages 60 through 63. For your convenience we have grouped below all the frosting recipes (plus extras!) according to no-cook and cooked types. Recipes for the cakes to go with them start on page 77.

Uncooked frostings

Butter-cream Frosting

Easy, one-step method. This is the frosting for the Drum Cake—

- 1 1-pound package confectioners' sugar, sifted (about 4½ cups sifted)
- ⅓ cup soft butter or margarine
- ¼ cup milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

In small bowl of electric mixer, blend all ingredients. Then beat at medium speed, 1 to 2 minutes, scraping bowl and beaters frequently with rubber spatula. (If stiff, add a little more milk to make of spreading consistency.) Frosts tops and sides of two 8- or 9-inch layers.

To make picture of Drum Cake, page 61, use 1½ times the recipe to frost three 9-inch layers. (See note with recipe for Best Two-egg Cake, page 77.)

Orange Butter Frosting

Luscious fruit flavor that's especially nice with Chiffon Cake—

- 1 1-pound package confectioners' sugar, sifted (about 4½ cups sifted)
- 2 teaspoons grated orange peel
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon peel
- Dash salt
- • • •
- 2 egg yolks
- Orange juice (about 2 tablespoons)
- • • •
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- ⅓ cup soft butter or margarine

Combine sugar, peels, and salt. Put egg yolks in measuring cup; add enough orange juice to make ⅓ cup. Stir yolk mixture, lemon juice, and butter into sugar mixture; beat smooth. If stiff, add a little more orange juice to make of spreading consistency. Frosts top and sides of 10-inch tube cake or tops and sides of two 8- or 9-inch layers.

Jiffy Frosting

No sifting or measuring needed for the new frosting sugar!—

- 1 13-ounce package frosting sugar (new type)
- 3½ tablespoons milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- Dash salt
- ¼ cup soft butter or margarine

Empty package of frosting sugar into bowl. Add milk, vanilla, and the salt; stir briefly. (Mixture will be stiff and look coarse.) Let stand 1 or 2 minutes, then stir smooth.

[*Turn to page 76*]

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Add butter, beat smooth (about 1 minute). If stiff, add a few drops more milk to make of spreading consistency. Frosts tops and sides of two 8- or 9-inch layers.

Chocolate Cream-cheese Frosting

Nice, easy-to-work-with frosting for Cake Canaveral—

- 1 3-ounce package cream cheese, softened
- ¼ cup soft butter or margarine
- 3¼ cups sifted confectioners' sugar
- Dash salt
- 2 1-ounce squares unsweetened chocolate, melted
- 2 to 2½ tablespoons milk
- ½ teaspoon vanilla

Blend cream cheese and butter. Stir in sugar, salt, vanilla, melted chocolate, and 2 tablespoons milk. Beat smooth. Add just enough more milk to make of spreading consistency. Frosts tops and sides of two 8-inch square or round layers.

Rich Butter Frosting

- ½ cup soft butter or margarine
- 1 egg yolk
- 2 tablespoons buttermilk or milk
- ½ teaspoon vanilla
- 3 cups sifted confectioners' sugar

Put ingredients in small bowl of electric mixer in order listed. Blend; beat at medium speed 3 minutes. If frosting is soft, beat in a little extra sifted confectioners' sugar to make of spreading consistency. Frosts tops and sides of two 8- or 9-inch layers.

Smooth Chocolate Frosting

- 1 1-pound package confectioners' sugar, sifted (about 4½ cups sifted)
- ½ cup evaporated milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- Dash salt
- 3 1-ounce squares unsweetened chocolate, melted and cooled
- ¼ cup soft butter or margarine

Blend sugar, evaporated milk, vanilla, and salt. Stir in chocolate, then butter. Beat till smooth and creamy. If stiff, add a little extra milk to make of spreading consistency. Frosts tops and sides of two 8- or 9-inch layers.

Marshmallow Frosting

This one swirls the Parasol Cake. Marshmallow creme gives you a head start—

- 1 1-pint jar marshmallow creme
- 2 egg whites
- 2 tablespoons water
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Beat together all ingredients at high speed on electric mixer till *very* stiff peaks form, scraping sides of bowl often with rubber spatula. Frosts top and sides of one 10-inch tube cake or two 9-inch layers.

Cooked frostings

7-minute Frosting

For a fluffy frosting, this is our favorite. It's the kind used for the Cake Nests—

- 2 unbeaten egg whites
- 1½ cups sugar
- 2 teaspoons light corn syrup *or* ¼ teaspoon cream of tartar
- ⅓ cup cold water
- Dash salt
- 1 to 1½ teaspoons vanilla

Place all ingredients except vanilla in top of double boiler (not over heat); beat 1 minute with electric or rotary beater to blend. Place over boiling water and cook, beating constantly, till frosting forms stiff peaks, *about* 7 minutes (*don't overcook*). Remove from boiling water. Pour into mixing bowl, if you wish. Add vanilla; beat till of spreading consistency, about 2 minutes. Frosts 8 spongecake dessert cups or tops and sides of two 8- or 9-inch layers.

Peppermint 7-minute Frosting (for Lollypop Birthday Cake on cover): In recipe above, decrease vanilla to ½ teaspoon and add ¼ teaspoon peppermint extract. Tint frosting a delicate pink with a few drops red food coloring.

Pineapple 7-minute Frosting (for Spring Bonnet Cake): Substitute canned unsweetened pineapple juice for water in 7-minute Frosting. Tint frosting pale yellow with yellow food coloring.

Strawberry Frosting (for Cake of the Dancing Dolls): Add one-half 3-ounce package (3½ tablespoons) strawberry-flavored gelatin to ingredients for 7-minute Frosting *before* cooking.

Real Fudge Frosting

This is the candy type, glossy and rich—

- 2 1-ounce squares unsweetened chocolate
- 3 cups sugar
- 3 tablespoons light corn syrup
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup milk
- ¼ cup butter or margarine
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Butter sides of heavy 3-quart saucepan. In it combine chocolate, sugar, syrup, salt, and milk. Heat over low heat, stirring till sugar dissolves and chocolate melts. Cook to 234° (soft-ball stage) without stirring. Remove from heat; add butter (don't stir) and cool till just warm (110°). Add vanilla; beat till mixture is of spreading consistency. (If frosting becomes too stiff, add few drops hot water.) Frosts top of 13x9x2-inch cake.

Panocha Frosting

- ½ cup butter or margarine
- 1 cup brown sugar
- ¼ cup hot milk
- 3¼ cups sifted confectioners' sugar

Melt butter; add brown sugar. Bring to boiling; cook and stir 1 minute or till slightly thick. Cool 15 minutes. Add hot milk and beat smooth. Beat in confectioners' sugar till of spreading consistency. Frosts two 8- or 9-inch layers.

Cakes to do you proud

Devil's Food Cake

A lovely moist chocolate cake made the quick-mix way—

⅔ cup shortening
2¼ cups sifted cake flour
2 cups sugar
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon soda
1 teaspoon baking powder
1¼ cups milk
3 eggs
3 1-ounce squares unsweetened chocolate, melted

Stir shortening just to soften. Sift in dry ingredients. Add ½ *cup* of the milk; mix till all flour is dampened. Beat vigorously 2 minutes. Stir in remaining milk, the eggs, melted chocolate, and 1 teaspoon red food coloring. Beat vigorously 2 minutes longer. Bake in 2 paper-lined 8x8x2-inch square pans in moderate oven (350°) 35 to 40 minutes or till done. Cool 5 minutes and remove from pans.

Orange Sponge Cake

6 egg yolks
1 tablespoon grated orange peel
½ cup orange juice
1 cup sugar
¼ teaspoon salt
1⅓ cups sifted cake flour
6 egg whites
1 teaspoon cream of tartar
½ cup sugar

Beat yolks till thick and lemon-colored. Add orange peel and juice; continue beating till very thick. Gradually beat in 1 cup sugar and the salt. Carefully fold in flour. Beat egg whites till foamy; add cream of tartar; beat to soft peaks. Gradually add ½ cup sugar, beating to stiff peaks. Thoroughly fold whites into yolk mixture. Bake in *ungreased* 10-inch tube pan in slow oven (325°) 55 minutes or till done. Invert pan and cool.

White Cake

¾ cup shortening
1½ cups sugar
1½ teaspoons vanilla
2¼ cups sifted cake flour
3 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
1 cup milk
5 stiff-beaten egg whites

Stir shortening to soften. Gradually add sugar, and cream together till light and fluffy (beat about 10 minutes at medium-high speed on electric mixer, scraping bowl occasionally to guide batter into beaters). Add vanilla. Sift flour with baking powder and salt; add to creamed mixture alternately with milk, beginning and ending with flour mixture, and beating after each addition. Beat 2 minutes at medium speed. Fold in egg whites. Bake in 2 paper-lined 9x1½-inch round pans in moderate oven (375°) 18 to 20 minutes. Cool 5 minutes before removing from pans.

Best Two-egg Cake

½ cup butter, margarine, or shortening
1½ cups sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
¼ teaspoon lemon extract
2 or 3 drops almond extract
2 eggs
2¼ cups sifted cake flour
2½ teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
1 cup plus 2 tablespoons milk

Stir butter to soften. Gradually add sugar, and cream thoroughly 12 to 15 minutes at medium-high speed on electric mixer. Add flavorings. Add eggs, 1 at a time, beating well after each. Sift flour with baking powder and salt; add to creamed mixture alternately with milk, beginning and ending with flour mixture, and beating after each addition. Bake in 2 paper-lined 9x1½-inch round pans in moderate oven (375°) about 23 minutes or till done. Cool 5 minutes before removing from pans.

To match picture of Drum Cake, page 61, use 1½ times the recipe and bake in three 9x1½-inch round pans.

Chiffon Layer Cake

2 egg whites
½ cup sugar
• • •
2¼ cups sifted cake flour
1 cup sugar
3 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
⅓ cup salad oil
1 cup milk
1½ teaspoons vanilla
2 egg yolks

Beat egg whites till foamy. Gradually beat in ½ cup sugar. Continue beating till very stiff and glossy. Sift remaining dry ingredients into another bowl; add salad oil, *half* of the milk, and the vanilla. Beat 1 minute at medium speed on mixer or 150 strokes by hand, scraping sides and bottom of bowl constantly. Add remaining milk and egg yolks. Beat 1 minute longer, scraping bowl constantly. Gently fold in egg-white mixture with down-up-and-over motion, turning the bowl. Bake in 2 paper-lined 9x1½-inch round pans in moderate oven (350°) 25 to 30 minutes. Let cake cool thoroughly; remove from pans.

Chiffon Tube Cake

(*not pictured*)
2¼ cups sifted cake flour
1½ cups sugar
3 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
• • •
½ cup salad oil
5 egg yolks
¾ cup water
1 teaspoon vanilla
• • •
1 cup (8) egg whites
½ teaspoon cream of tartar

Sift dry ingredients into mixing bowl; make a well in dry ingredients. In this order, add: salad oil, egg yolks, water, and vanilla. Beat till satin smooth. In large mixing bowl, combine egg whites and cream of tartar; beat to *very stiff peaks*. Pour egg-yolk batter in thin stream over entire surface of whites, gently cutting and folding just to blend. Bake in *ungreased* 10-inch tube pan in slow oven (325°) 55 minutes; increase temperature control to 350° and bake 10 minutes longer. Invert pan and cool.

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New chocolate cake with peppermint stick icing

1—In ½ c. boiling water melt 1 pkg. (¼ lb.) sweet chocolate. Cool. Cream 1 c. butter or margarine, 2 c. brown sugar; beat in 4 egg yolks one at time, beating fluffy after each. Add melted chocolate, 1 tsp. vanilla; mix well. **2**—Sift 2½ c. sifted cake flour, ½ tsp. salt, 1 tsp. baking soda. Put 1 Tbs. vinegar in measuring cup, add milk to 1 c. level. **3**—Add alternately with sifted dry ingredients to chocolate mixture, beating till smooth. Gently fold in 4 stiffly beaten egg whites. **4**—Bake in greased 9 x 12" pan about 50 min. (350°F.) Cool. **5**—*Frosting:*—1 pkg. fluffy white frosting mix; see pkg. directions. Coarsely crush peppermint stick (1¼ oz.) Scatter over top.

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A wonderful old-fashioned cooky. Frosting is coffee flavored—

½ cup butter or margarine
1 cup brown sugar
1 egg
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 1-ounce squares unsweetened chocolate, melted and cooled
2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
½ teaspoon soda
¼ teaspoon salt
¾ cup dairy sour cream
½ cup chopped California walnuts

Cream butter and sugar till fluffy; beat in egg and vanilla. Stir in chocolate. Sift together dry ingredients; add to chocolate mixture alternately with the sour cream. Mix well; stir in nuts. Drop from teaspoon, 2 inches apart, on greased cooky sheet. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 10 minutes or till done. Remove from pan; cool. Frost with **Mocha Frosting:** Cream ¼ cup soft butter or margarine, 2 tablespoons cocoa (regular-type, dry), 2 teaspoons instant coffee, dash salt; slowly cream in 1 cup confectioners' sugar. Add 2 cups confectioners' sugar, 3 tablespoons milk, 1½ teaspoons vanilla; beat smooth. Makes 4½ dozen. *Mrs. Willard Wright, Bloomington, Illinois*

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Tuna and salmon

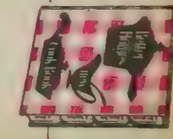
Company Creamed Tuna

An elegant main dish from a can of tuna. For a luncheon, serve with buttered broccoli or asparagus, and a fruit-plate salad—

2 tablespoons finely chopped onion
3 tablespoons butter or margarine
3 tablespoons flour
¼ teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
1¼ cups milk
• • •
½ cup dairy sour cream
1 6½-, 7-, or 9¼-ounce can tuna, drained
3 tablespoons cooking sherry
2 tablespoons chopped parsley
Toasted slivered almonds
Puff-pastry shells

Cook onion in butter until tender but not brown. Blend in flour, salt, and pepper. Add milk; cook and stir until mixture thickens. Stir in sour cream. Add tuna, cooking sherry, and parsley. Heat through. Sprinkle with toasted almonds, if desired. Serve in pastry shells or spooned over toast points. Makes 4 servings. *Mrs. Maurice Corson, Sepulveda, California*

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Tuna Florentine

3 tablespoons butter or margarine
1 onion, sliced
1 1-pound can (2 cups) tomatoes
1 8-ounce can (1 cup) seasoned tomato sauce
1 teaspoon salt
1 6½-, 7-, or 9¼-ounce can tuna
4 ounces (2 cups) medium noodles, cooked
1 10-ounce package frozen chopped spinach, cooked and drained
¼ cup shredded Parmesan cheese

Melt butter; add onion and cook till tender. Add next 3 ingredients. Simmer uncovered about 20 minutes. Break tuna in chunks; add with noodles. Turn into 2-quart casserole. Spoon spinach around edge and sprinkle with cheese. Bake in moderate oven (375°) about 25 minutes. Makes 6 servings.

Mrs. Lillian Herman, Bay City, Texas



Fiesta Salmon Bake

Deviled Eggs: Halve 4 hard-cooked eggs lengthwise; remove yolks and mash; mix with 2 tablespoons mayonnaise, ¼ teaspoon *each* salt and dry mustard, and dash Tabasco. Refill whites. **Salmon Layer:** Drain one 1-pound can (2 cups) salmon or two 6½- or 7-ounce cans tuna. Break in chunks and line bottom of 10x6x1½-inch baking dish; sprinkle with 1 teaspoon lemon juice. Top with half the **Cheese Sauce:** Melt ¼ cup butter or margarine; blend in ¼ cup flour and ½ teaspoon salt. Stir in 2 cups milk; cook and stir till mixture thickens. Stir in ¾ cup shredded process American cheese. Arrange Deviled Eggs and pitted ripe olives atop. *Cover* with remaining sauce. Sprinkle with 1 cup crushed potato chips. Bake in moderate oven (375°) 25 minutes or till hot. Makes 5 or 6 servings.

Mrs. Genevieve L. Kind, Grand Rapids, Michigan



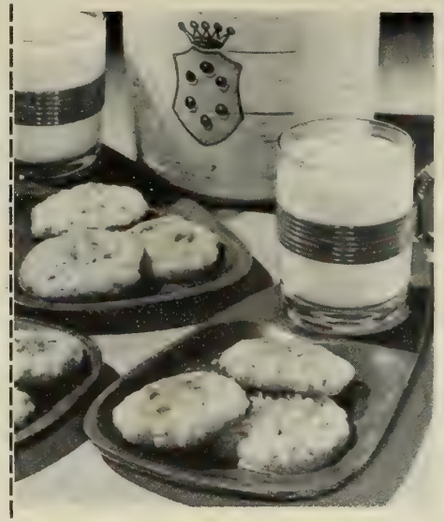
Tuna-Rice Bake

1 6½- or 7-ounce can tuna
1 can condensed cream of celery soup
¾ cup packaged precooked rice
2 slightly beaten egg yolks
¼ cup milk
1 tablespoon lemon juice
2 tablespoons chopped pimiento
2 teaspoons instant minced onion
2 stiff-beaten egg whites

Break tuna in chunks; combine with *half* the soup and next 6 ingredients; fold in whites. Turn into greased 10x6x1½-inch baking dish. Bake at 350° 20 to 25 minutes or till set. Cut in 6 squares. Serve with **Parsley Sauce:** Heat remaining soup with ½ cup milk and 1 tablespoon chopped parsley.

Mrs. Douglas B. Franklin, Huntsville, Alabama







Lemon Tea "Cakes"

1½ teaspoons vinegar
½ cup milk
½ cup butter or margarine
¾ cup sugar
1 egg
1 teaspoon shredded lemon peel
1¾ cups sifted all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
¼ teaspoon soda
¼ teaspoon salt

Stir vinegar into milk. Cream butter and ¾ cup sugar till fluffy. Add egg and peel; beat well. Sift together dry ingredients; add to creamed mixture alternately with the milk, beating smooth after each addition. Drop from teaspoon, 2 inches apart, on ungreased cooky sheet. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 12 to 14 minutes or till done. Remove at once from pan and immediately brush tops with Lemon Glaze; cool. Makes about 4 dozen. **Lemon Glaze:** Mix ¾ cup sugar and ¼ cup lemon juice.

Mrs. C. MacDonald, Glidden, Iowa

Coconut-Oatmeal Cookies

2 cups quick-cooking rolled oats
⅔ cup flaked coconut
1 cup butter, margarine, or shortening
1 cup sugar
2 eggs
3 tablespoons milk
1½ teaspoons vanilla
• • •
1½ cups sifted all-purpose flour
½ teaspoon soda
½ teaspoon salt

In oven, toast oats and coconut till golden brown. Thoroughly cream butter and sugar; add eggs, milk, and vanilla, beating well. Sift together dry ingredients; add to creamed mixture, blending well. Stir in oats and coconut. Drop from teaspoon, 2 inches apart, on ungreased cooky sheet. Flatten with a tumbler dipped in sugar. If desired, sprinkle tops with untoasted coconut. Bake in a hot oven (400°) 8 to 10 minutes or till lightly browned. Remove at once from pan; cool. Makes 4 dozen.

Mrs. Merle Jacobson, Grand Meadow, Minnesota

Chocolate-raisin Drops

Cream ¾ cup butter or margarine and ¾ cup sugar till fluffy. Beat in 1 egg and 1 teaspoon vanilla. Sift together 2 cups sifted all-purpose flour, 1½ teaspoons baking powder, and ½ teaspoon salt; add to creamed mixture alternately with ½ cup milk. Stir in 1½ cups (one 9-ounce package) chocolate-covered raisins and ½ cup chopped California walnuts. Drop from teaspoon, 2 inches apart, on ungreased cooky sheet. Bake in hot oven (400°) 10 to 12 minutes or till lightly browned. Remove at once from pan; cool. Makes 4 dozen.

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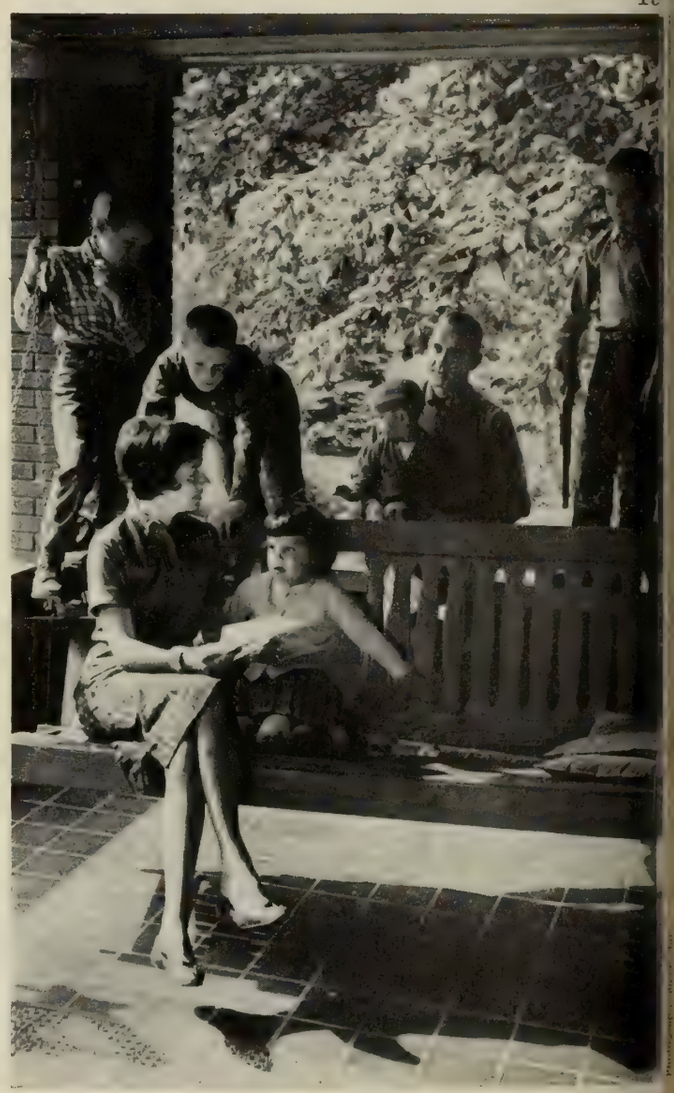
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Nine years ago, Bob and Edie Simonds planned a family of five children—and they told readers of Better Homes & Gardens *exactly why. Their wish has been fulfilled. But has the experience proved to be all they expected? Or does couple have regrets? Here's what they say to*

Have we changed our tune?

By Edith M. Simonds

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BABIES? We want five!

Here are good reasons why, Nature and the draft board permitting, one young couple wants to have a large family

By Hobart and Edith Simonds

We've been married two years, have two little boys, and we're planning to continue having babies until we have a family of at least five.

Our first step toward our large family provoked many a look of surprise from older acquaintances. We knew what they were thinking.

"Too bad you're being saddled with a child right away."

"Adjustment to married life is hard enough without a baby to worry about. Not to mention the money. . . ."

"Frankly, I'm not sure I'd want to have a child right now, with the world in the mess it is. . . ."

"What do your folks say?"

This type of comment, we noted, was not made by couples our age. On the contrary, among most of our friends, babies are accepted as an integral part of marriage. Among 17 couples who have been married within the last three years, 11 couples have children and 3 are expecting their second child. All with whom we have discussed this matter intend to raise more than one or two children. This is in line with national trends.

The depression and prewar situation of many of our parents, where [illegible] one or two children seemed [illegible]



Bob and Edie Simonds believe that the important business of getting along with others is more easily learned in a large family

No, we haven't. The tune's still the same, but we're singing different words now.

When I read over some of the statements we made as the young parents of two babies, I must confess to a wince and the hope that no copies of *Better Homes* for April, 1953, will ever show up to haunt us.

"Is any achievement worthy of greater pride than a confident, unselfish, morally and physically fit young adult?" we asked our readers, referring to the children we hoped to raise.

Now, nine years later, we must change the word pride to humility—and keep our fingers crossed at that. We know now that, as parents, we do not have complete control over the development of our children. It is not solely within our own province to determine what kind of adults they will become.

For one thing, each child comes equipped with different abilities, traits, and capacities—and these are not always what we parents might wish for. Our children are not perfect; they are human. We have had to learn to accept each for what he is, judging his accomplishments in relation to his own ability, and loving him for his own unique self.

We have also learned the power of outside influences: other children and adults, the church, school, television, books, comic books, and newspapers. We can guide our children toward a proper judgment of the influences which surround them; we can lend our support to those influences we consider good and oppose those we consider bad; but we cannot—nor should we try to—keep our children apart from the real world.

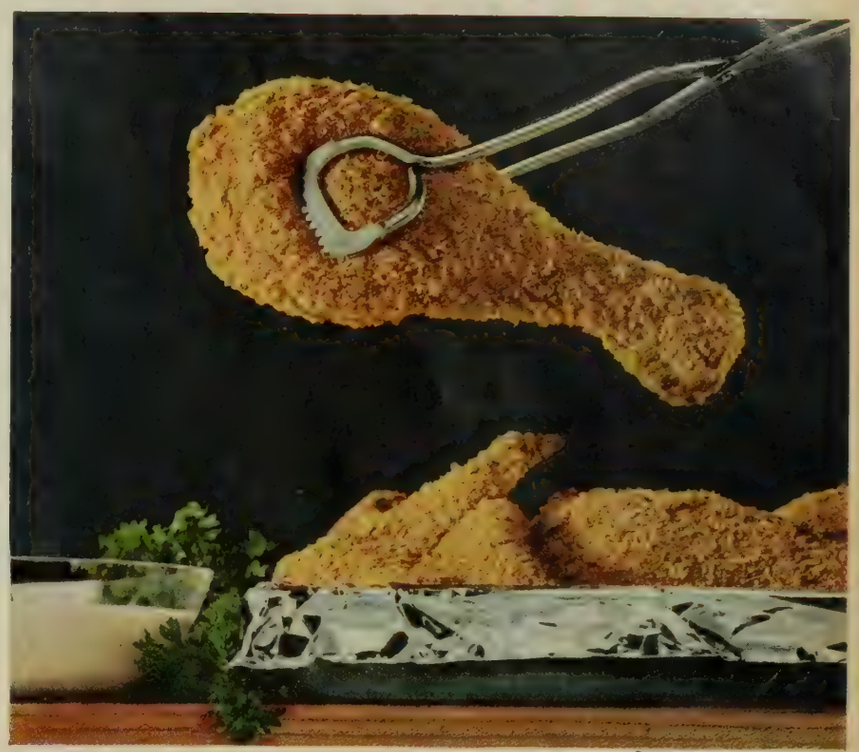
When we first started our family, I think we felt that our home and the family circle would be a sort of greenhouse in which our children would grow and flourish. It has evolved instead to be more of a "home base" where each of us returns to find the support and love we need as we go about our activities in the community.

The joys which the children bring us come daily. Some of them we could not anticipate. We hadn't dreamed, for instance, how much pleasure the older children would derive from their younger brothers and sisters. As each baby made an appearance, the other children played with and enjoyed him as much as we did. As the babies have grown into companions, the children have had fun with each other, in spite of squabbles.

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KELLOGG'S OF BATTLE CREEK

Corn-Crisped Chicken

Dip 1 cut-up chicken (2½ to 3 lbs.) in ½ cup PET® EVAPORATED MILK. "Thin" milk just won't do.

Roll in mixture of 1 cup KELLOGG'S CORN FLAKE CRUMBS, 1 teaspoon AC'CENT®, 1 teaspoon salt and ¼ teaspoon pepper. Place in shallow baking pan lined with REYNOLDS WRAP®.

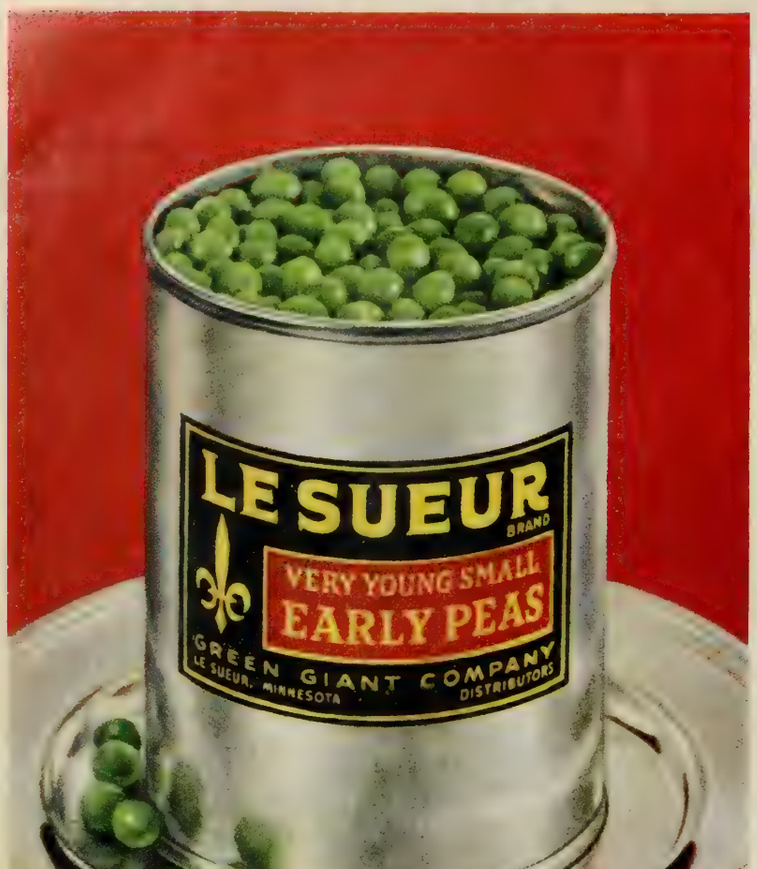
Bake in 350° F. oven (moderate) about 1 hour, or until drumstick is tender when pierced with a fork.

Tip: For tangy flavor, mix 2 tablespoons prepared mustard and 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce with PET® EVAPORATED MILK.

Dip in Pet Evaporated Milk, roll in Kellogg's Corn Flake Crumbs seasoned with Ac'cent, bake on Reynolds Wrap.



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Have we changed our tune?

Continued

We also discovered what every parent with more than one child learns—that it is easier to enjoy each succeeding child. We have been able to relax and take ourselves less seriously with the younger children, knowing pretty much what to expect and when.

On the other hand, there have been jolts we did not fully anticipate. The big one, I think, has been financial. Prices have risen, and we've had difficulty keeping the "realistic" budget we bragged about in our first article.

Five children outgrow and wear out clothes by the gross lots. They also outgrow and wear out houses. They eat their way through $140 worth of food each month, provide a good chunk of support for the local doctor and dentist, absorb heat, use lights, and drink water. Education costs are rising, and we have 20 years of college to finance somehow. However, we still feel, as we did in '53, that we are spending our money on the best commodity available.

The big problem for me—the mother—has been the difficulty of maintaining my identification as a person in the midst of this crowd of people who know me only as Mom. "Raising a large family intelligently is the most rewarding and exacting outlet for a woman's talents," we wrote. True, but please add a big "if." *If* a woman can remain a thinking, reading, feeling, creative person by taking time out from her family on a regular basis, then the job of mother is rewarding, not martyring; satisfying, not stifling. This, of course, has not always been easy to do.

I often think of the apt comment of my neighbor (who has seven children of her own) when our first article was published:

"Well, dear," she said, "just remember—it's a heck of a lot of work!"

And so it is. In 1953, I would have chided as lazy any woman who was not willing to assume the tasks of raising a houseful of children. Now I suspend judgment. Many women are not temperamentally suited to the demands of a large family—or of marriage, for that matter. Certainly, child-raising is only one area challenging the time and talents of intelligent women, and those who choose otherwise do not deserve criticism.

Only recently have Bob and I begun to feel our full responsibility for the talent and abilities of our children. Having babies and getting them through infancy is one thing. Accepting the responsibility of developing them into useful, contributing adults is another.

Let's face it. There is more to raising a child in 1962 than there was even 25 years ago. A college education is considered a must for most young people, and there is actually more to be learned and understood all along the academic path. Artistic and creative talents are needed in the world, and most parents feel the obligation to develop these in their children. Topsy's formula of "just growing" won't do any longer, and we must face that fact. Time, interest, and money are involved, and with a large family, time and money are sometimes not available.

Lack of time, we believe, is both the greatest problem facing parents of a large family today and the problem most necessary to resolve. Demands on our time are myriad and, for the most part, legitimate. There are the physical tasks of making a living and making a home; the civic obligations of schools, politics, community issues, religious disciplines and service, social demands; and, just as important, the necessity for taking time for personal growth.

All these responsibilities, then, compete daily with the need of each of our children for individual attention, recognition, guidance and support. And if we do not recognize and meet this need, the child becomes the loser. All the advantages of belonging to a large family don't tip the scales if they must be balanced against the disadvantage of parents who don't have time for each child individually. Trying to put first things first has become for us a most necessary daily discipline.

Of all the things we have learned about children so far (and we are still learning plenty!), there is one lesson which probably will stand the test of time. It is simply this: the greatest gift we can give our children is to love them and show it; to set them a good example of the kind of person we hope they will be; and to give them the freedom they need to stand alone as individuals as soon as they are able. We haven't yet learned, however, which of these is the hardest.

Would we have five children again if we had it to do over? Yes—probably. They have brought us much joy, and we are confident that each one will have something of value to contribute to his fellowmen. We would do it again, but we have long since stopped advocating large families for other people. After all, we still have 20 years to go before we can write the final verse to this tune we've been singing.

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LOOK AND COOK



Scott

A trifle about a Trifle. This luscious English dessert makes leftover cake elegant.

- 1 layer sponge cake or ½ tube chiffon cake
- ⅓ cup raspberry preserves
- ⅓ to ½ cup cooking sherry
- 1 1-pound can (2 cups) apricot halves, drained
- 1 3- or 3¼-ounce package vanilla pudding
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- ½ cup heavy cream, whipped
- ¼ cup toasted slivered blanched almonds

Slice cake in thin fingers; make into sandwiches, filling with preserves. Place *half*, spoke-fashion, in 1½-quart serving dish. Sprinkle on *half* the sherry. Repeat with remaining cake (alternating with bottom spokes) and sherry. Quarter apricots; place atop. Prepare pudding, following package directions, *but using 3 cups milk;* add vanilla. While pudding is hot, pour over the dessert. Chill well. Before serving, center with whipped cream and nuts. Makes 8 servings.

NEXT MONTH

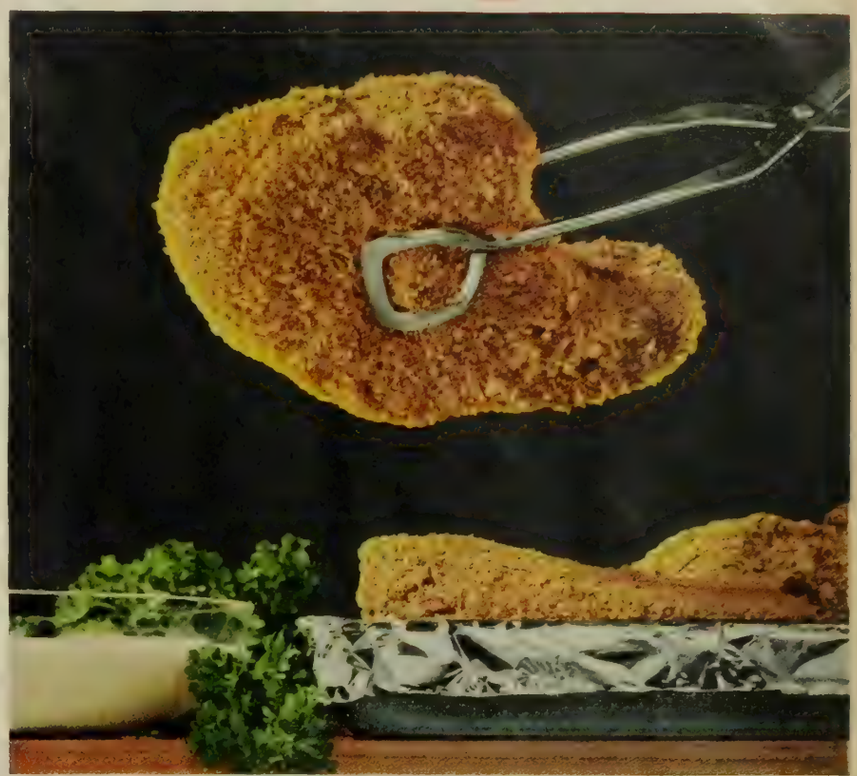
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Rustle up some Corn-Crisped Chops at your house soon. Just follow the easy recipe.

KELLOGG'S OF BATTLE CREEK

Corn-Crisped Pork Chops

Dip 4 to 6 lean pork chops, ½ inch thick, in ½ cup PET® EVAPORATED MILK. "Thin" milk just won't do.

Roll in mixture of 1 cup KELLOGG'S CORN FLAKE CRUMBS, 1 teaspoon AC'CENT®, 1 teaspoon salt and ¼ teaspoon pepper. Place in shallow baking pan lined with REYNOLDS WRAP®.

Bake in 350° F. oven (moderate) about 45 minutes, or until meat is tender when pierced with a fork.

Tip: For tangy flavor, mix 2 tablespoons prepared mustard and 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce with PET® EVAPORATED MILK.

Dip in Pet Evaporated Milk, roll in Kellogg's Corn Flake Crumbs seasoned with Ac'cent, bake on Reynolds Wrap.



MONEY for your recipes

Company casseroles; single-layer cakes

NEXT OCTOBER, we want to publish recipes for the four best company casseroles ever! Could your favorite be a winner? Send it in and see. Enter recipes for single-layer cakes, too. Two Cooks-of-the-Month will receive $20 each. Nineteen other winners will receive $5 each. Selected winning recipes will be pictured in the Prize Tested Recipes pages next October. The winners of these 21 prizes will receive a framed *Better Homes & Gardens* Certificate of Endorsement and six copies of the endorsed recipe.

Hints to help you

Company casseroles. Here's your chance to be creative and to tell us about your *most fabulous* casserole. One you're proud to serve to any and all! It could be an elegant casserole for a dinner or luncheon, or the hearty kind that feeds a crowd at a football supper. Ideas:

chicken Divan
tuna-cheese pie
wild-rice bake
sausage pilaf
pork-chop bake
crab cobbler
artichoke-ham bake
baked lasagne
tamale pie
eggplant casserole

Single-layer cakes may bake in a loaf pan—or in an oblong, square, or round baking pan. This month, we want recipes for cakes you make "from scratch." Save ideas with packaged mixes for later. Include frosting recipes—regular or broiled-on kind.

glazed applesauce loaf
mocha pound cake
cranberry spice cake
fruitcake
gingerbread
upside-down cake
date-nut loaf
chocolate loaf cake

THIS MONTH'S WINNERS

(*See recipes on pages 79 and 80*)

Cooks-of-the-Month

Tuna or Salmon: Mrs. Maurice Corson, Sepulveda, Calif.

Drop Cookies: Mrs. Willard Wright, Bloomington, Ill.

Other Winners

Mrs. Douglas B. Franklin, Huntsville, Ala.
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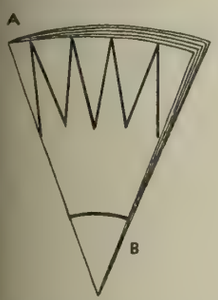
1. Write your recipe clearly on one side of the paper and mark it "October Company Casseroles" or "October Single-layer Cakes." If you wish, send a recipe for each of the two categories.
2. Print your full name and address in upper right corner of paper.
3. Give measurements in *level* cups, tablespoons, teaspoons.
4. Specify brand names of the *nationally* known food products you use as ingredients so we can test your recipe with the same brands.
5. Include 50 to 100 words about the origin of the recipe you submit.
6. Recipes submitted become property of *Better Homes & Gardens*.
7. Entries must be postmarked by midnight, March 31. In cases where duplicate recipes are submitted, the one with the earliest postmark will be judged. All judges' decisions will be final.
8. We reserve the right to adjust and edit winning recipes.
9. Address the recipes you enter to 5503 Test Kitchen, *Better Homes & Gardens*, Des Moines 3, Iowa.



Paper cutting caper

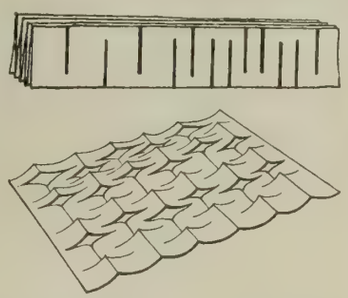
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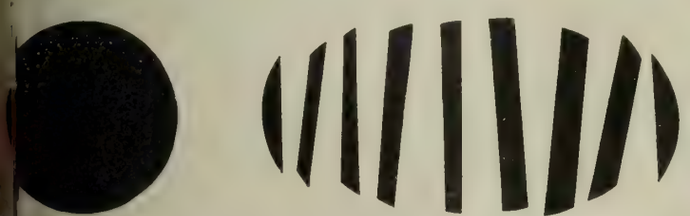


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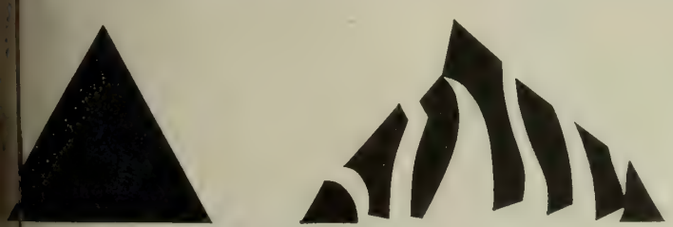
Paper fold and cut is made from paper that is shiny and fairly heavy, like a gift wrap. You may prefer dull. First, fold accordian pleats evenly into the desired width. Make sharp cuts in from each side.



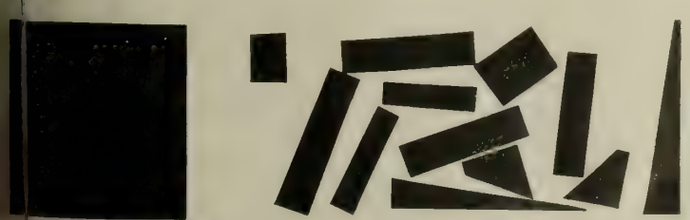
Do not cut too far—fold lines are the structure (see illustration above). Leave ¼ inch so you don't cut into the fold itself. Unfold the paper; push the cut patterns in and out for dimensional look. We pasted papers together, wrong side to wrong side, for color play. Wrap finished design around jar, as flower container or lampshade. Light shadows are lovely.



ircles are one of three basic forms used. Using scissors, it circles into straight-line sections without adding to or ubtracting from basic circle. Move pieces around. When proportion pleases you, paste onto white paper. Do lots.



Triangles are your next basic form. Manipulate scissors to produce curved cuts—see illustration. Paste when it looks right. Repeat each process with each form, cutting many sizes of each shape. You'll find your eyes are clever aids.



Rectangles, from symmetrical squares to elongated sizes, are the last basic shape in your experiments. You will begin to move the forms out of context, creating designs. Train your hands to make long, rhythmical cuts, not short ones.

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Corn-Crisped Salmon Croquettes

Mix 1-lb. can salmon drained and flaked, ½ cup PET® EVAPORATED MILK, ½ cup KELLOGG'S CORN FLAKE CRUMBS, ¼ cup drained pickle relish, ¼ cup finely cut celery, 2 tablespoons finely cut onion. Shape into 12 balls or cones.

Dip in ½ cup PET® EVAPORATED MILK. "Thin" milk just won't do.

Roll in mixture of 1 CUP KELLOGG'S CORN FLAKE CRUMBS and 1 teaspoon AC'CENT®. Place in shallow baking pan lined with REYNOLDS WRAP®.

Bake in 350° F. oven (moderate) about 35 minutes. Serve with a creamed vegetable sauce.

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- ½ cup water
- ½ teaspoon sugar
- ½ teaspoon crushed oregano
- 1 medium onion, sliced

Combine ¼ cup enriched flour, 2 teaspoons salt, ¼ teaspoon pepper; pound into steak. Brown *slowly* on both sides in hot fat. Combine remaining ingredients; pour over meat. Simmer uncovered 10 minutes. Cover; bake at 350° 1 hour or till tender. Makes 6 servings.

Cheese Steak *(top)*

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- 2 pounds ½-inch round steak, cut in 6 to 8 pieces
- 3 tablespoons fat
- 1 cup water
- ¼ cup chopped onion
- ½ cup shredded sharp cheese
- 2 tablespoons chopped parsley

Pound steak to ¼ inch. Combi ¼ cup enriched flour, ½ teaspo salt, ¼ teaspoon garlic salt; dred meat in mixture. Brown slowly hot fat. Add water and onio Cover; simmer (*don't boil*) 1 ho or till tender. Sprinkle with chee and parsley. Cover; cook 2 to minutes or till cheese melts. Mak 6 to 8 servings.



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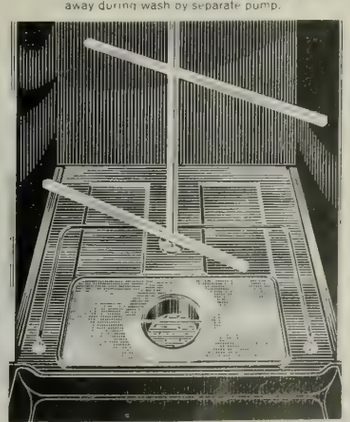
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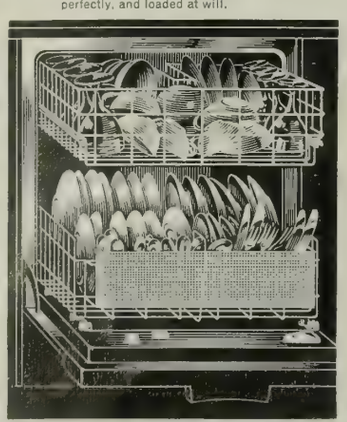
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's tuberous begonia starting time again, and I wonder if u can clear up a conflict? Some authorities say to set e tubers about half above and half below the soil level the flat. Others say to almost cover the tuber. Who is ht? *Mrs. R.N.B., Spokane, Washington*

I've watched the big commercial growers in Santa Cruz, lifornia, grow them successfully by the millions. They nerally prefer setting the tuber about half above and lf below the level of the soil mix of half coarse sand and lf coarse bark or peat moss. The old idea of using pure at moss is now out as it holds too much water, and you k losing tubers from rot.

ave a light green moss or scum on the surface of my lip and daffodil beds. Will this harm the bulbs and spoil e blooms this spring? *J.M., Milwaukie, Oregon*

Sounds like the soil is suffering from a lack of drainage d air circulation. When that happens, you get a sour l condition, hence the greenness. But don't worry, just out there every two weeks or so and cultivate between e plants. This aerates and dries the soil.

there any flower seed that I could plant for quick effect clothe a hillside? *Mrs. P.L.M., Boise, Idaho*

One of the fastest growing flower seeds in the world is eet alyssum. Often it will start showing color in just weeks from sowing time! The ordinary forms are often edy, so be sure to specify improved hybrid types, such a Carpet of Snow (white) or Royal Carpet (purple).

patio is made up of large flagstones. Originally the nes had moss between them, but now Bermuda grass s taken over. How do I get rid of it? R.McN., Ogden Utah

The best way to kill Bermuda grass is to sterilize the e ire area. This would not be difficult in your case as the cess would not harm any other plants, and you would n be doing any planting in the sterilized area. It may t e several applications of sterilant before you can bring t Bermuda grass under control. See your garden dealer.

C asters be planted in the same spot each year?
M.B.C., Salem, Oregon

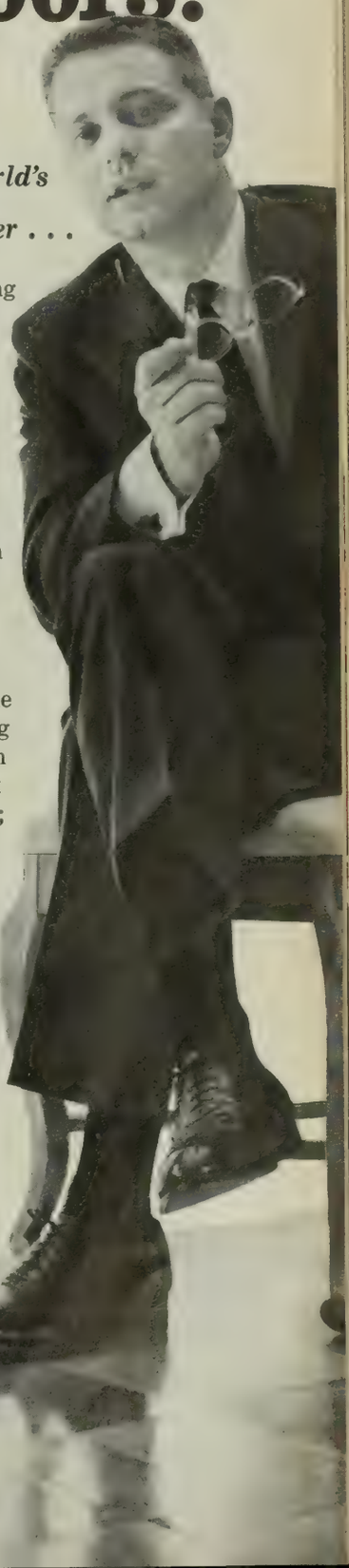
Better not. They are subject to several diseases which c ect in soil, making it desirable to select a new site each y r. Use the vacated bed for other flowers.

D peonies grow well near the seaside?
Mrs. S.L.Y., Carpinteria, California

Generally speaking, peonies like cold weather in the w tertime. Without this dormant period, they rarely d elop the big blooms so prevalent in the East. Here's a g d suggestion: grow tree peonies instead of the ordinary k d. Tree peonies are big, beautiful, and easy to grow.

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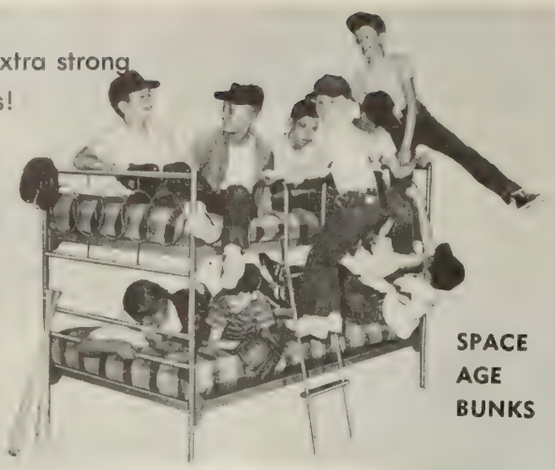
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Can you please tell me how to get rid of ground moles i the lawn? They have become quite a pest.

Mrs. A.C., Petaluma, Californi

Apply liquid chlordane or dieldrin to the soil through hose-end spray gun to get rid of the worms and grubs—th food the moles are really after. By cutting off the foo supply, you will force them to move to greener pasture Either chemical treatment normally lasts a full year.

A great number of my carnation blooms split when the open. What is the cause of this? B.L., Las Vegas, Nevad

Weather conditions are mostly responsible for splittin of carnation blooms. It is thought to be due to sudde changes from hot and dry to cool and moist weather.

I have two hibiscus bushes I would like to transplant i my back yard. The bushes are a little more than a year ol and about 4 feet tall. When should I transplant and prun the bushes? R.F., Bakersfield, Californi

The best time to transplant and prune hibiscus is aft danger of frost is past. When moving them, take a gooc sized ball of earth around the root system, prune bac about one-half the top growth, then water in with a wea fertilizer solution to minimize shock.

How do you espalier a pyracantha against a wall or fence Several months ago, I cut back branches and left onl those I wished to train. New growth came out all over an the ones I left literally stopped growing.

K.M.D., Portland, Orego

You can start espaliering a pyracantha at any tim Espaliering is a matter of training certain branches to gro laterally, and is achieved by pruning and tying. Prune ou all branches, except those which you wish to train, an continue to remove unwanted shoots as they break ou This forces growth into the remaining branches.

Can you tell me something about billbergias? I'd like t try some. Mrs. W.M., San Diego, Californi

Rarely seen, but easy to grow, are billbergia plants fro Brazil. They have spiny, pineapplelike leaves from whic arise graceful spires of tropical blooms about a foot tal The flowers are exciting combinations of color. Billbergi seem to grow equally well in sun or shade. Give them lo of water—at roots and in center cup or tube.

Is there any truth to the theory that rhododendrons wi not grow well in an apricot-orchard area? Our plants di well for two years, but have not done well since, despi our following good cultural practices.

Mrs. D.M., Richmond, Californ

I have never heard that rhododendrons would not c well in an apricot-orchard area. Check for proper plantir depth; they should be set no deeper than the original ba of soil with the graft above the soil level. Be sure to mul —do not cultivate these shallow-rooted plants.

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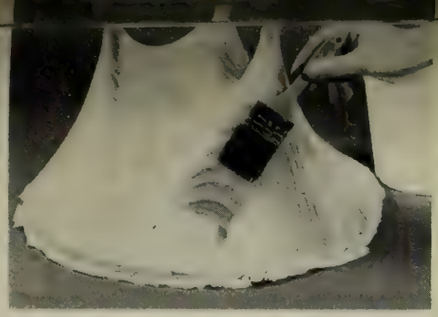
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Weird and wonderful shapes are easy to make with polyester resin. Three short dowels in a plywood disk make the basic framework for this free-form planter.

Coat the upper ends of the dowels with wax to keep them from sticking in the mold. Stretchy fabric (auto polishing cloth) goes over the frame to make the form. Coat with resin to make it hard and apply successive layers of fiberglass cloth.

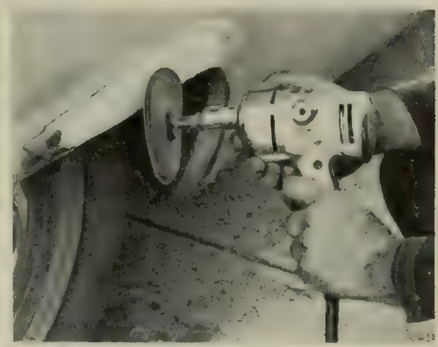
Lay strips of glass cloth in wet resin over the basic form. The cloth will conform to the contours easily. Repeat for extra strength. Coat again when resin cures. Trim off any stray strands and sand away bubbles.



Cut the planter loose from its form. Make putty from resin and plaster of Paris, to smooth out any really rough areas. When the putty has cured, sand the planter with a disk sander in your ¼-inch drill.

Fill the legs with resin mixed with glass flour or sawdust. Mix resin and filler first, then add the catalyst. Finish up with a coat of resin colored to your taste.





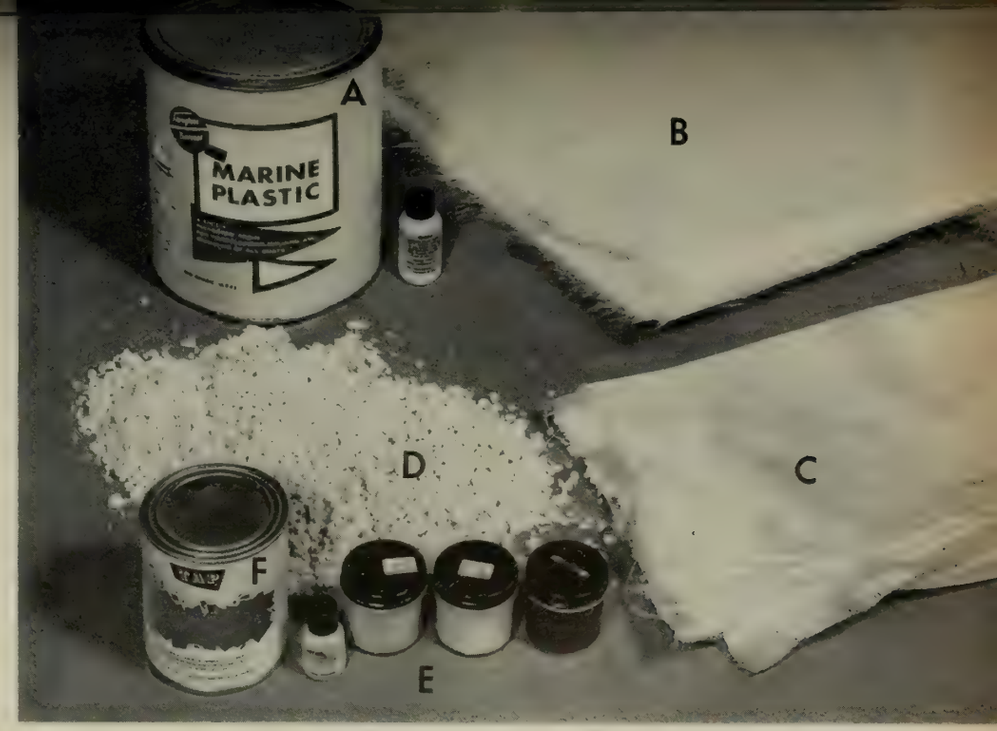
Fix rusted-out places in your car with the putty especially compounded for the purpose. Grind away all the rusted area with a disk sander in your drill. Be sure you get down to spotless metal. Use a coarse, open-coat disk. Fit aluminum screen cloth into the hole with alternate flaps pushed inside.

Stick screen in place with putty. Don't try to cover the whole job the first time.

Now spread on another coat, covering the whole screen. When this coat has cured, sand it smooth with your disk sander. Grind away the flaps of screen cloth that stick out. Use successively fine disks until you're ready for the prime coat of paint.

Spray on surfacer from an aerosol can, then sand it and a two-inch area all around. Finish up with enamel that matches the car.

Cut along dotted lines



FIBERGLASS

Liquid plastic and fiberglass in its various forms are strange materials to work with, but they let you make things easily that you just couldn't make any other way. The liquid plastic most commonly used is called polyester resin (A), a sirupy liquid that hardens to a clear plastic. The liquid resin will not harden, or "cure," unless a catalyst is added. Most resin sold commercially contains wax to make it harden at the surface. However, for covering boats or for any project that requires several coats of resin, use the type without wax. It remains tacky between coats, making a better bond. Polyester resin has a strong odor, so you must work in a well-ventilated place. Glass mat (B), similar to felt, is sometimes used to build up thickness between laminations. It isn't strong enough to use alone in most projects, however. Glass cloth (C) provides the strength in laminations of cloth and resin. Made of woven strands of glass, it is a stretchy cloth which conforms well to curves. Glass flour (D) can be added to resin to make it into a heavy paste, used to fill holes.

Various pigments (E) are available to color the resin almost any color you could wish. A special putty compound (F) is made for filling dents and holes in auto bodies. It is made with epoxy-type resin, which bonds well to metal.

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Resin bonds well to bare wood and makes it waterproof. It's ideal for lining the inside of wooden planters. Rough up the wood surface to get a good bond.

Resin won't bond to painted or varnished wood. Paint remover or burning leaves a residue that destroys the bond, too. You have to remove the paint by sanding.



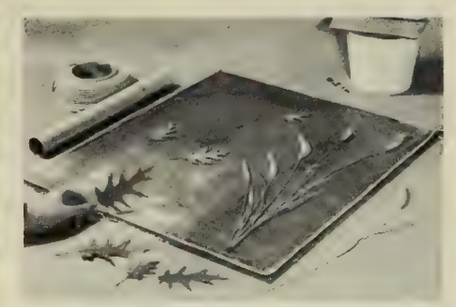
Add enough catalyst for one coat on the wood surface. When mixing catalyst and resin, measure exactly and stir thoroughly. Apply with a brush, then lay strips of fiberglass cloth in place, overlapping slightly. Slit any bubbles in the cloth and rub smooth.

When the resin has cured, mix another batch and saturate the cloth completely.



Make decorative panels using polyester resin and sea shells, stones, or other fairly bulky objects. Pour the catalyzed resin on a sheet of plexiglass, then arrange the objects on it in the pattern you want.

After the resin cures, pour or paint another coat over everything.



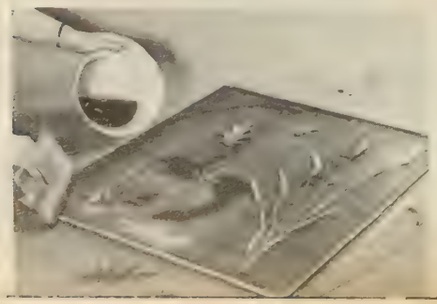
You can also make translucent panels for use in screens or windows. Lay clear plastic wrap over a panel of hardboard and build a dam of string-type putty around the edge.

Lay a piece of glass mat inside this dam and saturate it with resin. Arrange decorative materials on the mat.

Pour more resin over the arrangement. Tamp it all flat with the edge of a piece of cardboard. Make sure everything is covered.

You can use almost any flat, dry, non-oily material in your panels. Cellophane, paper, leaves, cloth, or even the most delicate flowers and butterflies will work.

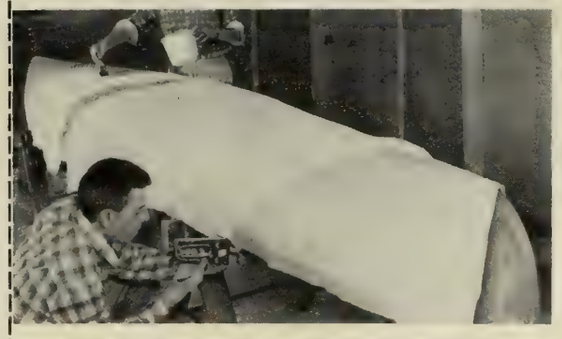
As the resin cures, the panel will get quite warm and probably curl a little at the edges. When the panel is no longer tacky, but still soft and rubbery, lay books or a piece of plywood over it to keep it flat until it cures completely. Trim the edges with a hand or power saw. Sand smooth.



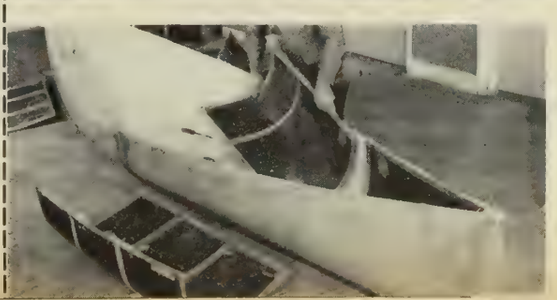












The most popular uses for polyester resin and fiberglass are to build boats and to cover wooden boats. To cover a boat, first remove the paint. Don't use a paint remover, and don't burn it off. Sand the paint away with a belt or disk sander. Here we show you how we covered a collapsible canoe with fiberglass, using the canoe itself as a mold. All seams were covered with masking tape, then the whole hull was given three coats of paste wax. The first coat of resin was colored white, the inside color of the canoe, since we were building from the inside out.

When the base coat cured, another coat of clear resin was put on, and a covering of fiberglass cloth was embedded in it. Rolling the cloth on a mailing tube makes it easier to handle. A special grooved roller helps roll down the fabric and eliminate air bubbles. When the resin cured to the "gel" state (still soft enough to cut with a knife but not soft enough to let the fibers pull loose), the excess cloth was trimmed off.

A layer of fiberglass mat went on next. Because it shreds so badly when the resin is dabbed on with a brush, we covered the mat with an open-mesh, stretchy cloth used for polishing autos. The mat was pressed into a fresh coat of resin, then the cloth was stretched over it and stapled in place. Following this, a coat of resin was applied over the cloth, soaking both it and the mat thoroughly. After each coat of cloth or mat, we cut and ground away any air bubbles, then patched them with small pieces of resin-soaked cloth or mat. An outer layer of fiberglass cloth went on over the mat to complete the lamination process.

To make a really smooth finish on the bottom, we glazed the canoe with a putty made of resin and spackling compound. Apply it with a rubber squeegee. This putty coat was sanded and covered with a finish coat of pigmented resin.

The mold separated from the canoe quite easily, with the help of a putty knife to get it started. The same procedure as shown here to mold this canoe could be followed in covering a wooden boat with fiberglass, except that you would apply the first coat of resin to the sanded hull surface. Also, the mat layers could be omitted, since thickness in the lamination is unnecessary.



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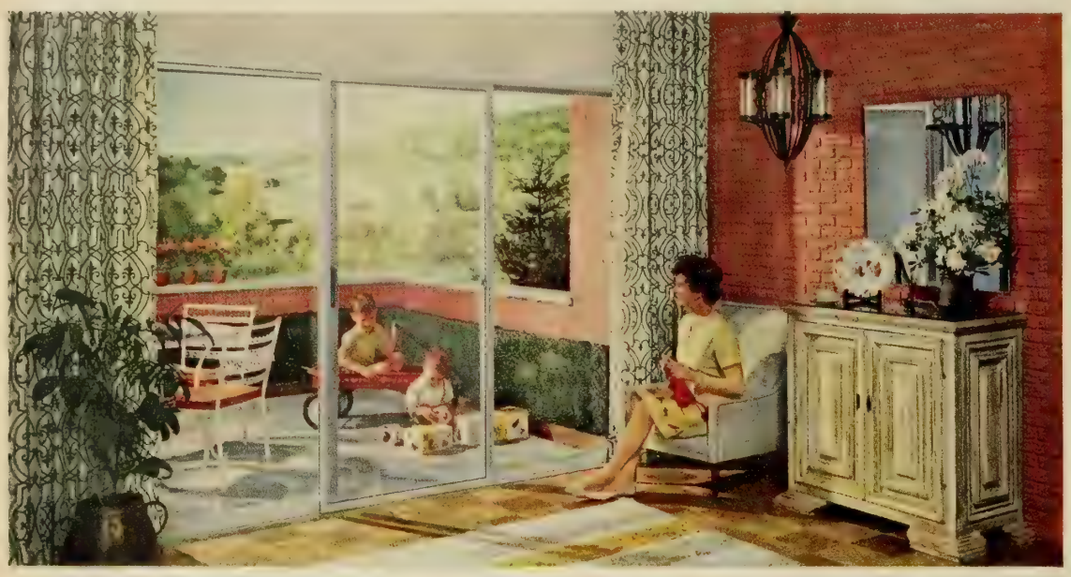
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Ten ways to OVERPAY the Internal Revenuers–

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By Sidney Margolius

ncome taxes have become the average family's ird largest living expense—bigger than any m except food and housing. That's why *Better omes & Gardens* has frequently devoted space to lping you pay your just due, and no more. ur past articles on income taxes have brought many letters inquiring about special problems at weren't covered or that have somehow ought a family into conflict with the Internal evenue Service. We passed these letters on to ted financial expert Sidney Margolius, who ose the problems that cropped up most often d combined them into this group of case his- ries. You may discover some tax overpayments your own right here!

verpayment 1: the working student. *A endale, New York, father was denied an ex- ption for his son attending a tuition-free mu- cipal college, because the boy had earned $1,085 part-time work one year. The father had imed that, despite these earnings, he paid more an half the boy's support. But the Internal venue Service official remained unconvinced. e pointed out that, since there were five in the mily and the father's income was $10,000, the y's living expense was assumed to be $2,000. ius the father, who was in the 22 per cent tax acket, lost a $600 exemption worth $132 because $86 of extra earnings by his son.*

olution: This man lost the exemption because had no records or documents to show how uch he had spent for his son's support; so the S agent applied a rule of thumb. Even though child over 18 earns over $600 a year, you can im an exemption while he is still in school if u provide over half his support. But if his earn- gs are unusually high in comparison to typical llege expenses, you should be prepared to ove—preferably with an actual record plus ceipted bills and canceled checks—just where u provided your share of the money.

Among the support expenses you can claim e the fair value of lodging, food, clothing, ucation, transportation, medical and dental re, recreation, and other necessities. A scholar- ip (or board provided for a student nurse) ed not be included as part of the child's own come. Suppose, for example, your youngster s a $600 scholarship and also earns $600. You ntribute $1,000 of his expenses. You still can im him as a dependent, even though your ,000 contribution is less than his total receipts $1,200. (G.I. benefits, however, are not con- ered a scholarship and must be counted as rt of a student's own contribution.)

Overpayment 2: the forgotten gifts. *An Ohio couple deducted for their regular contributions to church and charities, but overlooked many smaller but frequent cash and noncash donations to (and expenses incurred on behalf of) local organizations. Many of these groups were qualified for tax-deductible contributions.*

Solution: Such casual contributions are often overlooked. You can include in your deductions not only cash gifts, but the fair market value of goods such as household articles, toys, clothing, books, and so forth donated to charities, churches, nonprofit schools, community-service agencies, Scouts and veterans' organizations. In addition, you can deduct the cost of food prepared for church and charity benefits; phone, postage, stationery, and transportation expenses made on behalf of churches, charities, civil defense, schools, Scouts, and so on; and the cost and upkeep of uniforms for hospital, Red Cross, and civil-defense volunteers. You can even deduct the excess amount over fair market value for merchandise, food, and entertainment tickets you *buy from* charitable organizations.

Overpayment 3: the damaged car. *A Washington, D. C., man banged his car into the rear of another in a morning traffic jam. His insurance paid for the damage to the other car, but not for his own crumpled fender. He assumed the damage to his own car was a complete loss.*

Solution: Nonreimbursed accident damage to your own car is a frequently overlooked deduction. You can take it if you itemize deductions, even if the accident was your fault, and even if no other car was involved—as, for example, if you skid on an icy road. Or if your own car is insured but the damage is not fully compensated, you can deduct the balance.

Overpayment 4: the children's investment. *A Walden, New York, mother reports that her local "tax agent" said she would have to pay taxes on income from stocks she bought for her children's education. The shares were listed in her name as custodian under the Gifts to Minors Act. So she reported the income from these stocks as part of her own income and paid tax on it.*

Solution: If stocks and mutual-fund shares are bought for a child, with the parent registered as the custodian, the income is taxable all right, but to the *child*, not to the parent. Thus, if the child's income is under $725 a year (which was the case in this family), [*Turn to next page*



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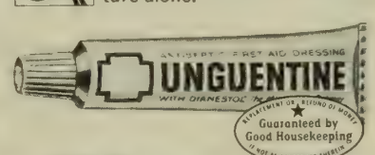
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Ten ways to overpay

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no tax is due. And even if his income is over $725, the child's tax rate probably would be lower than the parent's.

Any broker or bank trust officer can explain how to start such a custodian account. Remember, though, that once you put stocks in a custodian account, you can't legally use the income for general family needs without paying taxes on it. The child owns the securities, although you have the right to manage the investments for him, and to buy, sell, collect, and reinvest dividends in his name.

This particular type of simplified custodian account applies only to purchases of stocks and mutual-fund shares, not to cash savings accounts. But you can, of course, make moderate gifts of cash to a child so he can open a savings account in his own name. If you want to keep control of the account in your own hands, you must set up a trust; that involves legal expense and probably wouldn't be worth-while for small amounts. You also can present U.S. savings bonds to a child in his name. If the increase in value at the time he cashes them in is not more than $675 in one year, it is in effect tax-free income to the child.

Overpayment 5: the anxious father. *A Minnesota father reports that his son, a high school senior, earned $720 last summer and had $100 withheld for income taxes. He wants to know if there is any way he can get some refund.*

Solution: If your dependent child worked part time during vacation or after school, and income taxes were deducted from his pay, make sure he files a return. The refund to which he probably is entitled will not arrive automatically. It must be claimed, and his tax return is considered his claim. The child may take himself as an exemption on his own return—and you can still take him as a dependent as long as you provide more than half his support, and he is under 19 or still a student. In the above case, this boy's actual tax liability was only $8 and he is qualified for a refund of $92.

Overpayment 6: the elderly parent. *A New York couple supported the husband's elderly father, whose only taxable income was $600 from the summer rental of a small cottage he owned. Since this older man's net income (after deducting a portion of the cottage's maintenance costs) was under $600, and since his son provided more than half his support, the younger man assumed he could claim his father as an exemption. But the government said no. The gross rent, they said, not the net income, was counted as the father's income.*



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Solution: If the cottage been rented for $599 instea $600, the exemption would been allowed. Or, an arranger might have been made with tenant to pay some of the up costs in return for a correspond ly lower rent.

If an elderly dependent's inc is from investments, it may be sirable to shift enough of the vestments to tax-exempt such as local government bond bring the gross taxable income der $600.

Similarly, when an elderly pendent works part time, you need to take precautions to n sure an exemption worth $12 more on *your* tax return isn't for the sake of a few more dolla earnings. Here, too, the gross e ings—not the income left afte ducting expenses—are consid the dependent's income.

Social Security and other exempt income is not counte part of the $600 income limit, it is considered in determi whether a parent qualifies as dependent. To determine whe you really do pay more than the support of a dependent rela you should include the value o lodgings you provide—even your own house—as well as f entertainment, clothing, trans tation, and medical care. can estimate the cost of lod on the basis of what a compa room would rent for in neighborhood.

Overpayment 7: the of at home. *A California representative for a comp with offices in another pa the state works out of his h He asks whether he can de some of the cost of maintai an office there even though not a self-employed person.*

Solution: Sales representat agents, writers, artists, people sideline businesses, or other ployees whose jobs make it n sary to maintain an office or w shop at home can deduct pa their household operating exp *if* they can show it is necessa maintain such an office. One of proof, advises Sydney Pr director of the J. K. Lasser Institute, is a letter from your ployer stating you are require do some of your work at h You also should be able to that part of your home is equi as an office. In various cases, aried workers have demonstr that they have a room or area up with desk, filing cabinets, similar equipment, and that received business visitors, and phone calls there.

If you do qualify, you can de part of your housing expense proportion to the space use your office). Such expenses inc depreciation of the house and provements (but not the la property taxes; mortgage inte heating and utilities; repairs cleaning expenses. You can de for depreciation of your equipment, and also the amount of nonreimbursed bus expenses incurred at the h (such as business phone costs)

)verpayment 8: the missing orm. *A mechanic who moved) Florida rented a house for a ear until his family could be ettled in a new home. Since he ould no longer take the usual omeowner deductions for mort- age interest and property tax, e decided just to take the tandard ten per cent allowance or deductions. At least, he felt, his would simplify his tax hore for a change.*

olution: This family gave gen- ously to its church. Such contri- utions—plus state gasoline and les taxes, installment interest, d allowable medical expense— taled $610, which exceeds ten r cent of this man's $5,000 in- me. He thus made one of the ost common tax mistakes of mod- ate-income families: automat- ally using the easy-to-fill-out rd Form 1040-A, which allows st a straight ten per cent allow- ce for deductions.

Before you take this easy way t, make a rough estimate of your ductions on Form 1040. This ghtly longer form allows you to mize deductions and to claim a ick pay" exclusion, which Form 40-A does not provide for. Then u can compare the results of mizing against the ten per cent owance before deciding which use. This year, by the way, you ll find Form 1040 is simpler and sier to fill out.

verpayment 9: the up- oted trees. *A Long Island, ew York, family lost several namental trees and one shade e in a hurricane last fall. But family does not know how to imate the amount of damage.*

lution: People who suffer mage to homes, cars, boats, ubbery, and other possessions natural disasters can charge off h damage if they itemize deduc- ns on the long form. But you deduct only for that portion of loss which is *not* reimbursed by urance.

The big question is always: How you estimate the amount of loss, ticularly in the case of trees and ubbery? The preferred way, es- ially if the damage is heavy, is have an expert appraisal of the ue of the property, "before and after." For smaller damage, you can claim the cost of any repairs necessary to restore the property to its previous condition. If there is no known repair cost, and the amount claimed is reasonable, your own estimate probably will be accepted. (If you make the estimate yourself, it is wise to have proof of the damage ready to show if required. One good proof—for next time—is a set of photos that show the property both before and after the damage. An "after" photo by itself is less effective.)

From your local Internal Revenue Service office, you can get a free booklet on "How the Federal Income Tax Applies to Hurricanes, Floods, Tornadoes, Other Disasters, and Thefts." And don't forget that you can also deduct for damage to your house, car, and other possessions from fire, freezing, landslides, and blizzards.

Overpayment 10: the missing medical deduction. *A young California wife went to live with her parents when her husband was called into service. Her parents provided more than half her support, including a room, meals, and medical expenses (which were heavy that year). But since she filed a joint return with her husband, the parents could not claim her as a dependent; therefore, they believed they could take no deduction for any of her expenses.*

Solution: These parents overlooked an important medical deduction. Since they paid more than half of their daughter's support, they could have added her medical expenses to their own for a potential deduction, even though they could not claim her as a dependent on their tax return.

This tax-saver is especially valuable if you have dependents over 65 to whom you contribute more than half support, but who have taxable income of their own of $600 or more. You can deduct *all* the medical expenses you pay for them, not just the balance over 3 per cent of your gross adjusted income, as in the case of younger people. Often it is preferable to pay a dependent's medical bills rather than to give him the equivalent cash to use for his general support.

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By Lorraine Partin

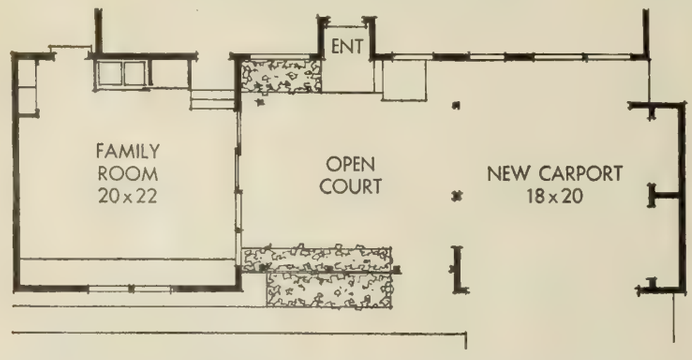
When Jack's (he's Mr. Partin) teaching career took us to Ventura, California, we bought a house in a hurry. It was a good buy and it had an attached garage—really a built-in place for the expansion to make the house fit us.

When we moved in, we began to think about converting the garage to a family room. We found we lacked necessary know-how, so we went to a Ventura architect, Robert L. Tviet. He planned it so we got exactly what we wanted.



Here, all the Partins show one of the many uses of our new entry cou ideal for the children's trikes and wagons—and these toys are stored ly in the carport. We have indoor-outdoor parties here, too, both children and for ourselves. New entry steps even help with extra s

Our new family room is just what we'd hoped for—an easy-care ro TV, toys, and all the other noisy activities. The vinyl-asbestos floor a warm beige tone and takes all the twisting and turning of 12 litt (that's four children and one dog) without flinching a bit.



The carport, seen here from the new family room, is much neater than our garage ever was, since storage wall (behind car) holds all the clutter of garden equipment and outdoor toys. The carport itself is post-and-beam construction with a flat roof topped off with tar and gravel.





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An addition or a new house —which? If everything is right for your family—neighborhood, churches, schools—everything except the house, then you'll want *to stay where you are. But* can *you afford to add the needed space? Is the house structurally sound enough to justify the addition? Consider your heating plant and utility systems. How about the lot, is there room for more house—and will zoning regulations let you build it? Lets hope you can say "yes" to everything. Money? There's more of it available for home improvement this year than ever—and the terms are good. In short, if you like living where you are now and an addition is both physically and legally possible—why not get going this spring?*

Your addition will change the way you use your house

One change can affect a whole house—a new family room will take pressure off the kitchen, living room, and dining room, making all of them more livable. Consider the new use of each existing room before you remodel, so that every one will work well after you're finished.

LIVING ROOMS

If your need is to improve your living room, you can attack the problem two different ways. One is to build on a completely new room. You can give it a more formal atmosphere and turn informal functions over to the present room by using it as a family room. Or, consider the addition of a new family room instead and reserve your present living area for more stately occasions. If traffic patterns are a problem, make the room smaller, with dividers to keep it peaceful and quiet.

DINING ROOMS

The part-time use of the dining room makes it some of the costliest space in your house. If your home—and dining room—is small, you should consider the enlargement of the dining room for use as a family room. You'll then have all-day use of this precious square footage.

KITCHENS

This room is primarily a work area and should be as efficient as possible—and equally as pleasant. Plan every change here very carefully and get professional advice before you hit a snag. Be sure you study the "work triangle" and plan it so that walking is held at a convenient minimum.

FAMILY ROOMS

Tailor your new family room to your family. Casual entertaining, informal meals, music, hobbies, and almost anything else you can think of have a place here. Whatever your preferences, you'll get more enjoyment from this new space if it's near the kitchen and has convenient access to the outside.

BEDROOMS

Locate new bedrooms away from noise and separate them from more active areas with sound barriers (closets or double walls). If you're adding children's rooms, include play and study facilities.

BATHROOMS

The best bathroom is a combination dressing, storage, and bathing area. Plan for as many of these features as you can, whether adding a new bath or reworking an old one. Privacy is important, as is good ventilation and lighting. Use existing plumbing lines wherever possible, but remember that it can be false economy to try to plan around a poor arrangement of fixtures.

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Don't let your budget talk you out of needed space. You can convert an existing garage to the new room you need—even on a tight budget. If you convert to a family room, include access to the outside—you'll appreciate this when you build your patio. Old door space is ideal for windows or, better still, sliding glass doors.



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he first step in adding to your house is e decision to stay where you are and ange the house you have instead of go- g after a new one.

No addition should be planned until e entire house has been studied. A good dition is more than "tacked on" space it should revitalize all areas of your esent house.

Make a list. Like an Inspector General, rry a clip board and write down all your mments. In the bedroom area, make tes about the adequacy of closets, room the children to study, play area, nount of floor space, furniture needs, ndows, light fixtures, everything and ything that comes to mind. While you e in the bedroom area, check the bath. Make the same kind of notes for your



nily living space, your dining area, en- , and any special-purpose rooms. Don't get storage space; it's one of the best ms to include in an addition.

Remember to write down the things u don't want changed. Every house has ne assets and you will want to be sure se are not lost in remodeling.

From these notes, you'll be able to de- e what your house needs—you'll be e to spell out the changes that will ng it up to your expectations.

Find your answer. One family we w found that they needed informal ng space and the convenience of an ad- ional bath-utility area. In their first r changes (above), they adjusted their se with only an addition—it's shown the yellow area—no other interior nges were needed at all.

"Secondary" shortcomings can usually solved with a smart addition. For in- nce, you can often plan a whole wall of sets when you change interior walls— very little cost and loss of floor space. more dramatic and serviceable front ry can be a by-product of your re- ngement of space. Also, a different cement of interior doorways could inate traffic jams and inconveniences t you've suffered for years.

ake a look outside. Now is your nce to change the appearance of your se: styling changes come very easily n you're building on. Your final de- on shouldn't be made without con- ring this important point.

But—don't get carried away in your planning for the outside of the house. Too often, exterior changes are only changes —not improvements. In most cases, the easiest and surest way to improve an exterior is to simplify it. Good design will not happen by accident, and planning for the exterior of your house requires experience and care. Why not consider the help of an architect? To him, the solutions come more easily. His eye for simplicity could save you a great deal of money. An architect's fee for helping you with your remodeling will not be high—and it will be worth every dollar in the better working, more pleasing result you'll get.

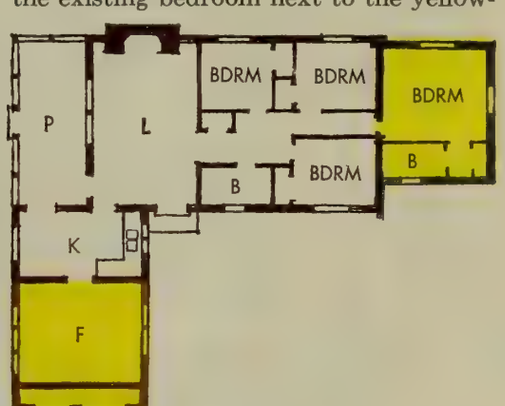
Above all, *don't* build anything without making sure it blends with the rest of your house. Match materials as nearly as possible and don't let your addition have that tacked-on look. There should seldom be more than three materials on the exterior and two are almost always enough.

If your goal is another bedroom, study the plan below and the one in the next column. Both show the basics involved when an increase in the size of your family makes an addition necessary.

First of all, you'll want to add the new room onto the bedroom wing in order to take advantage of the zoning you now have. Good planning can usually let you add to one of three sides of the wing.

Almost all bedroom additions involve creating a hallway from space that is now in one of the existing bedrooms. In both of these examples, space in one of the larger bedrooms was utilized this way.

Another important consideration in bedroom additions: closet space. In the drawing at right, we've stopped before closets were added. They could be placed on either the right or left wall of the new room. Or, the bathroom could be left off and a row of closets planned there. If the existing bedroom next to the yellow-

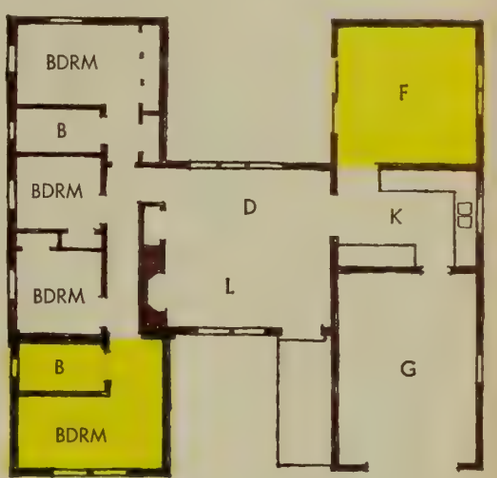


tinted area had been without adequate closet space, a double row of closets could have been added instead of just one.

For a new family room, start your search for space from your kitchen. In all three examples on this page, the new informal rooms were placed as close to the kitchen as practical. This general rule pays off in convenience for the lady of the house in serving snacks and meals in the family room—and in the supervision of small children at play there.

The family whose floor plan is shown in the center column converted their garage. Now, the square feet there more than pay their way in full time use. They reserved a few feet near the old garage doors for storage space.

How to start breaking ground. When your planning's done and you are certain that the addition will make your house right for you, it's time to start shopping for a contractor. Don't rush this step because both your money and comfort are at stake.



Talk to as many contractors as possible. You can get their names from friends who have remodeled, from trade associations, and from the telephone directory. Be sure to look at their work before you settle on one. Get bids from at least two, but don't take the lowest one without making sure you'll be satisfied with the work.

Two musts are: a firm estimate of the time required and a complete agreement on all details between you and the builder. You'll want to make sure that both parties fully understand all specifications. For instance, if you're planning on a mosaic tile hearth for your fireplace, make sure he understands what you have in mind and that he knows how much it will cost him to do the job for you. Talk about everything from the price of light fixtures and new appliances to the brand and type of windows and the quality of hardware you want him to use. Detailed discussions like this will forestall misunderstandings that can easily develop later.

When you're satisfied—both with the price and the quality your contractor offers—you're ready to sign the agreement. And, you'll be on your way to a better, more comfortable and convenient house. And before long, your neighbors will be saying, "It's certainly hard to remember how your house used to be!" There's no better expression of a successful addition!

BATHROOMS

PLANNING SERIES No. 11



Your bathroom should be as pleasant as it is private. At the very least, you must have good lighting. Direct light is best for bathing—indirect light best around vanity mirror. A combination of both, with natural light, is ideal.



Plenty of storage is a must in your bathroom. Built-in dressing tables with storage can enhance the room's appearance, too. Plan medicine cabinets at sides of vanity and other storage below, to allow for a large mirror.



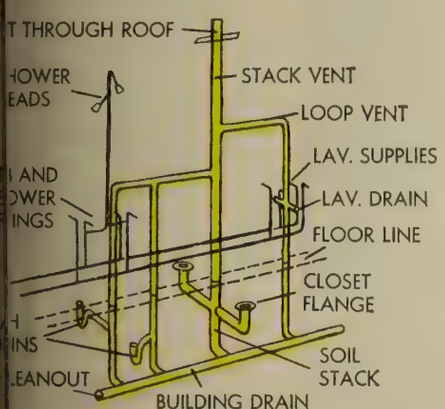


These six plans show you how t get bathroom convenience even i a small space. The smaller th room, the more careful plannin it takes. Sliding doors on entry medicine chest, and storage cabi nets are good space-savers.

throoms are a part of the house. But n most homes, even new homes, they poorly planned and poorly located. hen updating or adding a bath, con- er the primary users of the room. Fam- baths, guest baths, dressing room-bath d mud room-bath combinations all ve special requirements.

At the very least, a bathroom should be ll located and efficiently designed with ple light, air, and color.

A single bath is not enough in up-to- e homes. Master bedroom suites with nbination baths and dressing rooms being planned into moderate-size ses. Split-level homes need at least a f-bath off the family room in addition the full family bath. Nearly all of to- 's two-story homes have at least one h on each floor. Adding a bathroom is of the most popular (and necessary) ne improvements for older homes. en planning your new bath, be careful re you put the door in relation to the of the house. Don't place it in full w of living areas.



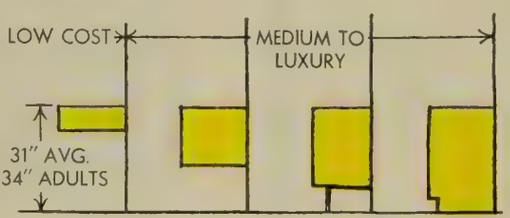
he cost of a new bath will be deter- ed partly by its location. The above ram shows the cheapest way to add nbing for a second bath. Wherever ible, baths should be back-to-back, this, to keep plumbing costs at a min- m. Except for short leads, the above nbing is the same as required for a le bath.

stacked arrangement with one bath e another is another way to keep nbing runs short and to economize.

family bath should be large enough mpartment the room to serve more one person at a time. This is most done by separating the lavatory from other fixtures. (Twin lavatories well in a compartmented family .) A family bath is also a handy for laundry facilities, because most d laundry comes from the bedroom- area—most clothing and linen stor- s in this area too. Folding doors can off this work area.

uxiliary baths may be located near utside door to serve as a cleanup space for youngsters. A guest powder room is a useful addition to any home and will fit in a minimum area.

Children and bathrooms create special problems. Step stools make it much easier for small children to use lavatories. A stool that folds under the counter when not in use saves space. If you are putting drawers under the lavatory, try turning the lower one upside down as a step for children. (Reinforce the drawer.) Sunken tubs are fine for able-bodied adults, and you may want one in the master bedroom bath. But—they are not suitable for bathing a child because you have to stand on your head to do the job.



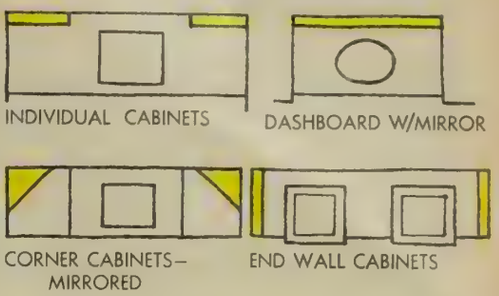
An adjustable hose-type shower attachment is available and will make a shower available for both children and adults. You can replace this attachment with a regular shower head when the children have grown up.

Small bathrooms are another special problem that requires extra attention. Here are a few ideas to consider: Sliding doors, for both entry and storage, save space. Decorating with one color makes any small room look bigger. Space over the tub, over the toilet tank, and under the lavatory can be used for storage. Recessed medicine cabinets between wall studs save space. Telescoping towel rods are another handy space saver. You can buy a bathroom scale on a panel that will fold into the wall to save floor space. Wall-hung fixtures give you a bigger floor area that is easier to keep clean.

Your choice of fixtures is another factor in determining the cost and final appearance of your new bath. The above drawing shows a variety of cabinet styles, starting with just a counter. The second type (knee high) still leaves the floor open and is easy to clean, but provides some storage. The three-quarter cabinet provides space for baseboard heating. The full height cabinet has the most storage space and looks like furniture.

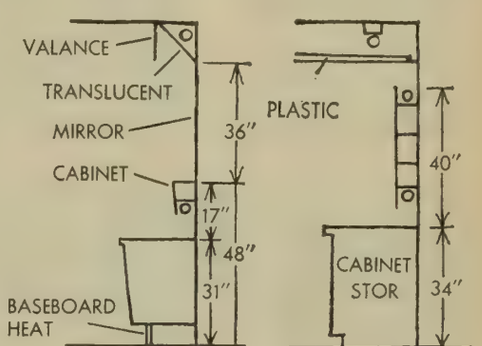
Medicine cabinet location is important for ease of use and storage capacity. Don't put cabinets directly over the center of the lavatory—this space should be reserved for a large mirror. Four possible cabinet locations are illustrated below.

Color in the bathroom is just as important as it is anywhere else. You may find that neutral fixtures and colorful accessories suit you better than strongly colored fixtures—particularly if you like to redecorate often. If you do choose brightly colored fixtures, be sure to get a color you will continue to like, and use



neutral colors for other permanent materials, floors, wall tile, counters, etc. The same principle applies to brilliant-colored wall and floor tile. You would be wise to use bright color for only one material, with accessories to pick up accents.

Lighting your bathroom deserves particular attention. The below diagram shows several built-in lighting fixtures. Important points to remember are that you want direct lighting for bathing and indirect lighting for other grooming. Shaving light should come from the sides;



make-up light from below. Best of all is a light fixture surrounding the vanity mirror. (Avoid direct lights that will be reflected in the mirror.)

Avoid colored lighting or cool-white fluorescents that change your skin color. Consider an overhead light with an exhaust fan as part of the scheme. (Every bath should have a fan that will completely change the air at least 12 times an hour). Combining the fan and a light conceals the fan and you can usually utilize the old ceiling outlet and switch.

Natural light is pleasant and desirable, but there is no need to advertise your bath with a tiny window that doesn't fit the rest of the house. Planting and fence screening will allow full-size or even picture windows. If you want a really luxurious bath, install sliding glass doors that open onto a closed court for sunbathing or just plain relaxing.

Keep in mind the fact that your bathroom *is* a room. Give as much thought and care to its planning as you would give to designing any other room in the house.

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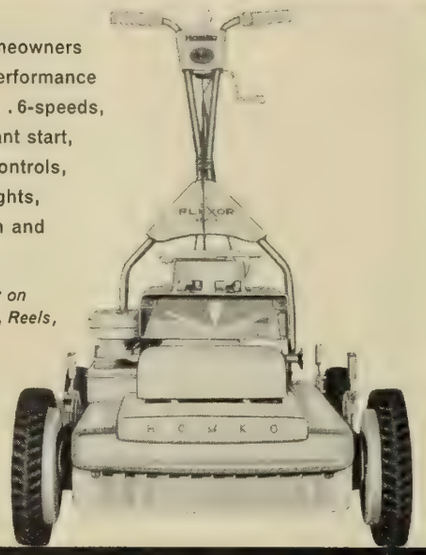
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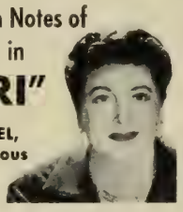
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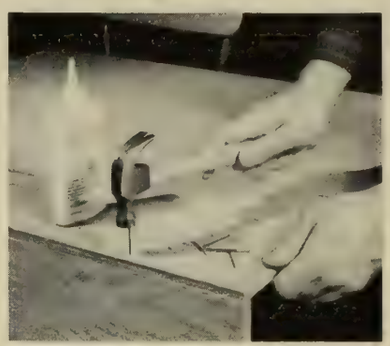
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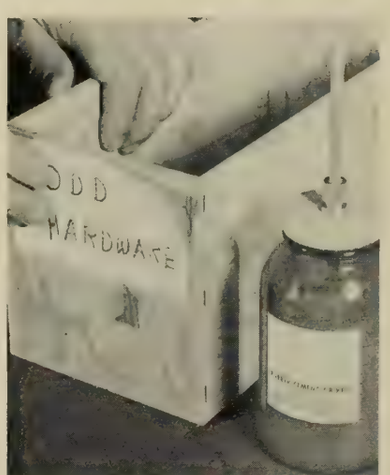
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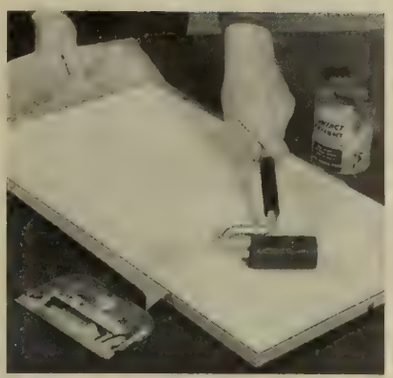
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Rubber cement is great for any job that involves gluing paper. It's excellent for craft projects. Comes off your hands by just rubbing, sticks to porous surfaces.

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Contact cement is good for gluing thin materials to a base. Apply it to both surfaces to be glued, let dry, then stick together without clamps. Roll smooth.

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Weather strip cement is made especially for sticking rubber to metal or wood. It doesn't actually penetrate, so it will stick well to a clean-painted surface.

Clean the surface with lacquer thinner, let dry. Then coat both the rubber and the area it will stick to with the cement and push them together immediately.



You can glue many types of plastic and plexiglass with acetone. Although it is not really a glue, acetone will dissolve the plastic, letting it bond together.

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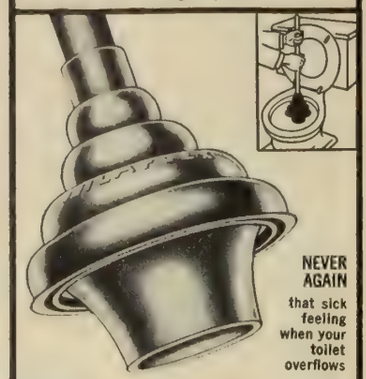
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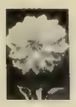
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How neighborly should neighbors be?

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States Supreme Court. Children and dogs are automatically guilty as charged and remain so until proven innocent, which they can't be. The second law is this: the parents of these children and the owners of these dogs do not believe the first law at all. Their children and dogs are always right, always innocent, and if Solomon and Solon and Sam Liebowitz all say differently, they will tell Solomon and Solon and Sam Liebowitz to go soak their juridical heads.

There is, in addition to the matter of noise, the matter of assault both from dogs and from children. It is no joke that a street sign saying "BE CAREFUL—CHILDREN!" can mean that up ahead are kids hidden in the bushes, waiting to throw doorknobs and brickbats at passing vehicles. There are dogs that attack other dogs and children, and there are dogs that attack grownups. I simply can't think of any way of coping with this latter unpleasantness, other than trying to kick the animal's head off and, in the eyes of his owner, that is not neighborly.

So, what shall we do about children and dogs? In the night, I would suggest the wearing of earplugs—little balls of wax and cotton which can be shaped to fit tightly in the ears. They keep out all noise, including the racket made by somebody yelling that your house is on fire. As for the daytime hazards, I recommend the wearing of medieval armor. I'm told that the chain-mail style is more comfortable than sheet iron, and much more natty.

Not long ago, I made an observation to myself as follows: people are most attractive when the dentist is working upon them, for in those moments they are unable to talk. Everyone must know that the chief instrument for creating tensions and fist fights in the world is the human tongue. I have reference to its employment in hurling epithets and vile names, in making slanderous statements, in bearing false witness against one's neighbor, and in its being stuck out at people. Please note that I have not mentioned the word gossip.

If someone asked you to name the chief fault you have to find with your neighbor, you might very well say that he or she is a gossip. You have been conditioned by short-sighted moralists to believe that gossip is a bad thing, an evil thing, a sinful thing. It is none of these. Gossip is the *salsa picante* of the suburbs, the hot sauce of backyard society. It is a good word that has been given a bad name.

Said Oscar Wilde: "Gossip is charming. History is merely gossip." Said Mark Twain: "Gossip of any kind and about anybody is one of the most toothsomely Christian dishes I know of." The unabridged Webster states that gossip is simply newsmongering fairly respectable business in wh I spent twenty years of my life don't think I'd enjoy living in world without gossip; it has element of danger in it, but it and should be a calculated haza of living.

So I suggest that when you be to think of your neighbor as gossip, turn your thoughts on yo self. There is unquestionably gr pleasure to be had in being first to know the news and then relay it along the neighborhc grapevine, preferably with a c tain amount of embroidery. Wh I hear a juicy bit of gossip a believe it to be new, I'm likely keep the telephone tied up for hour.

Webster (never content w just one definition) also refers t gossip as a person who runs fr house to house tattling and telli the news. This viewpoint ma me think of a small boy who used come to my home as regularly the meter-readers. This lad enjoy gathering morsels of neighborhc news and disseminating them o the countryside. He was a natur born gossip and a pure delig When he came to my house a told me of the things that had be going on elsewhere, he alwa managed to gather up, at the sa time, the latest information *my* peculiar doings. He'd tell that Mrs. Munson was on a d and didn't eat anything but cele and soup, and that Mrs. Por said Mrs. Munson was only tryi to get skinny and look young. H tell me that Mr. Watson got ticket for going through a red lig on the Bedford Road and was mad about it he was going to mc "clean to Florrduh." He'd tell that the Congdens were having lot of trouble with their seppit tank on account of too much we end guests." And he'd tell me t Mr. Stevens had a poker pa that lasted nearly all night a they drank seventy-four cans beer and he knew because he h counted the empties by the si door next morning.

That boy could ramble on this newsy fashion for an hour, a I loved every word of his discou and sometimes even profited fr it (such as cutting down on t much weekend guests). Kn what that blame kid did? He gr up on me. Grew up and got ec cated, and I imagine they told h in school that gossip is an u friendly act and sinful.

The same Mark Twain w loved gossip once built a mansi in West Hartford, Connecti and when the architect's drawir were being made, the celebrat author specified that the kitch should be at the front of the hou facing the street. He explained t he did not want the servants rus ing through the whole length the house just to see who was pa

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This sort of thing, including the gossip, seems quite proper and legitimate to me, yet the prying eye can become an offending instrument. I know a New Jersey woman who one day hailed a small boy from up the street, nearly a block away, for the purpose of giving him some candy. The boy said to her, brightly, "The Mitchells was over to see you yesterday, wasn't they? And you got your old green chair up-ho'stered." The lady was somewhat startled and asked him how he knew all this.

"My mother watches you with her by-nockelers," he said. "She knows everybody that comes to your house." This revelation brought on some slightly strained relations in that block, and there is a fine moral in it. If you are going to spy on your neighbors, with or without by-nockelers, don't let the children see you doing it.

It's *love* of money that is considered the root of all evil, but just plain money is also troublesome at times. I'm told there is great dissension in some neighborhoods over the spending of money on little improvements, such as a new brass-bound mailbox, or a bit of wrought-iron railing. The neighbors see these things and elevate their eyebrows and utter that eloquent word, "Well!" They might even say, "The John D. Rockefellers have been hitting the bric-a-brac stores again." This sort of an attitude often leads to genuine ill-feeling. It is a situation that can be rectified, quickly and easily, although I haven't the faintest idea how.

In some respects, it would be a great thing if everybody on earth had the same amount of money as everybody else. No it wouldn't, but for purposes of illustration, let's say it would. In such a world, a person would be free to choose his neighbors, and if he didn't want any at all, he could live in a locality where only the croaking of bullfrogs would disturb his serenity. And thus it is that one unpleasant fact must be considered: among your neighbors, there are surely some who don't enjoy being *your* neighbors and would live elsewhere if they could manage it. It is altogether possible they consider themselves a cut or two above you in general worth, and they may even show this feeling of superiority. But it is more likely that they would try to conceal it, and try to be neighborly on a restricted basis. This being the case, it would be nice if you humored them a bit, even though it require the patience of Job, Griselda, and the Nut-brown Maid.

There you are—all problems solved neatly in one little package. I have been trying to make what amounts to just one important point. If you want to preserve your standing as an acceptable neighbor, try above all other things to retain your sense of humor. It's really the only way.

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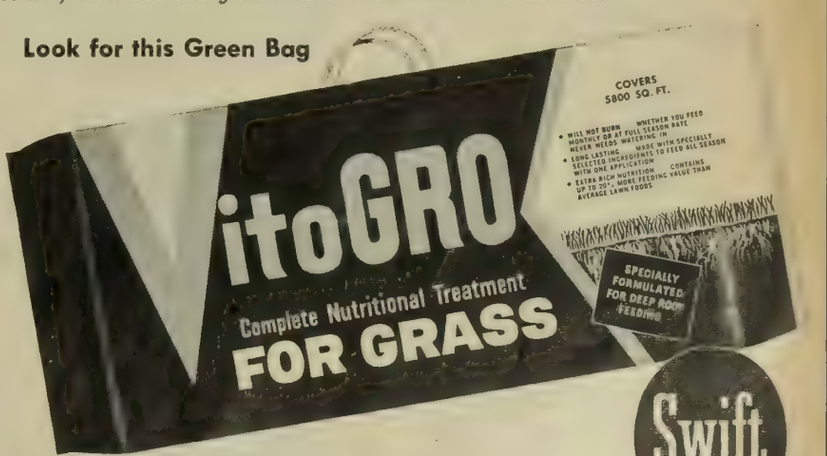
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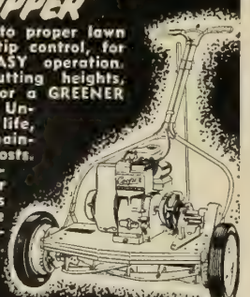
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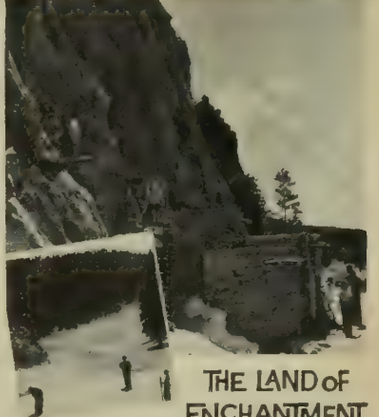
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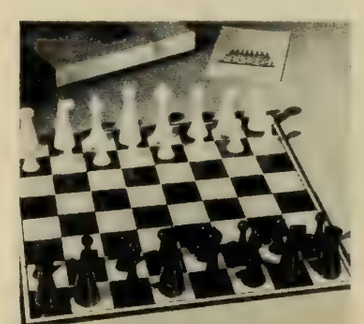
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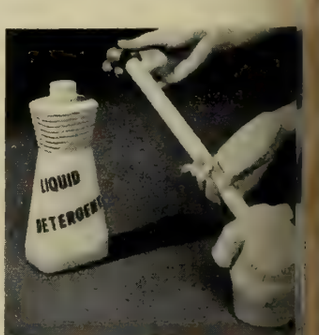
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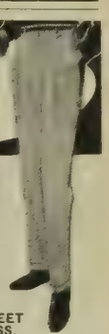


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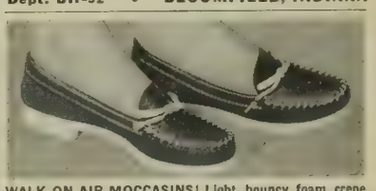


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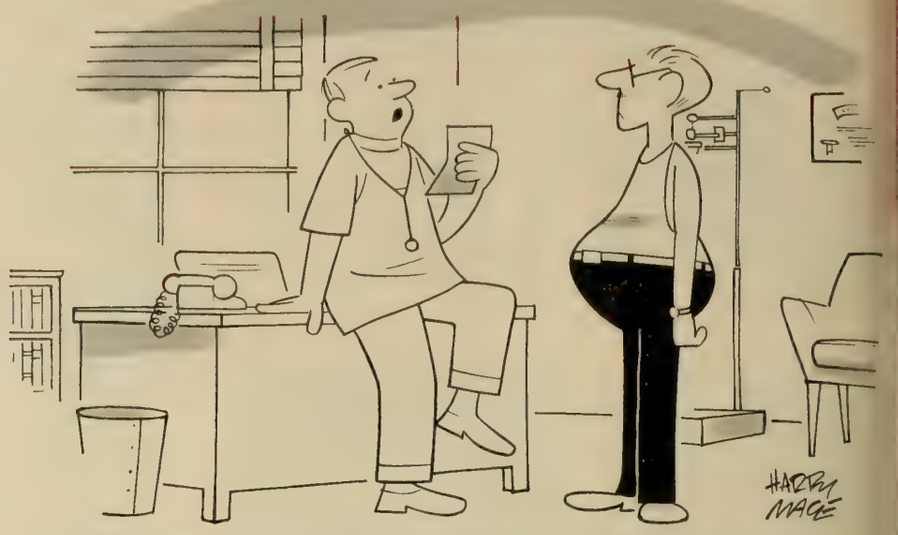
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"The poorest of all men," says neighbor Ken Flowers, "is not the one without a penny. It's the fellow without a dream."

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"My daughter's at the dangerous age," sighs Dick Schroeder. "She's old enough to dial the phone by herself."

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"As I see it," said Grandmother Hillis, studying my 16-year-old Rosie, "black leotards are sophisticated only if you never wore long underwear."



"They better not think they're going to buy this place for $24."

"Even back in my youth there was something guaranteed to make you sleep," Grandad Hillis told a young doctor friend of ours the other day. "They called it work."

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"I hate all girls," declares Burton, Jr., age 12, who has just been jilted by a neighborhood cutie. "I'll never marry one, no matter what." Growing pains, doesn't it?

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It may come as a surprise to some of my fellow Americans, but the fate of our nation does not depend on decisions reached in Washington. It depends—if I hear rightly in my youth-crowded living room—on how well my son's pitching arm holds out during these remaining months of school.

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Bright young Roscoe Hale, who currently is a private in the Army, was filling out a questionnaire for a correspondence school. In answer to a question about how long his present employer had been in business, Roscoe blithely wrote, "Since 1776."

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Too many women build a detour around motherhood and call it a career.

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If memory serves—and the service of late is terrible—10-year-old girls did not wear lipstick and eye shadow in the days of my youth. "Oh, phooey!" my babe Judy reacted to my ruling on the subject. "Big people get so worked up about little matters!" (She may be right.)

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I have always admired a teakettle. The darn thing sings even though it's in hot water up to its neck.

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"Latent ability," industrialist Jim Lincoln told our daughter's high school, "is like clay. It can be mud on shoes, brick in a building, or a statue that will inspire all who see it. The clay is the same. The result depends on how it's used."

When I gave my Christine a corsage a party, she forgot it in the refrigerat But our teen-age daughter wore it tc dance, so no harm was done. It take close-knit family such as ours to mana such thrifty co-operation.

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Lately, we've tried cooking on a ridicul gadget that looks like a football helmet. I an invention of the Japanese—proba their revenge for the surrender on the M souri. It takes two pages of instructio two hours of time, and two cans of fluid a charcoal to cook two lamb chops. I broth-er, if you don't have a hibachi, y are living in the Dark Ages!

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A couple of evenings ago, Christine a I spent a few hours with old friends Gra and Larry Daly, who live in a crisp n apartment house overlooking the river. we watched the lights glitter on the win snows, they told us how much they joy life even though their children grown and flown. And Chris and I had agree that the convenient location of apartment, the uniformed doorm downstairs, the gleaming chrome-ar steel elevator, the silently automatic he ing and cooling, and the almost "hospit cleanliness of everything made for so admirably easy living. But later, on way home, we also wondered about a f of the little things.

We wondered if Larry ever recalls h he loved the moist fragrance of new bl earth in a springtime garden. Does Gra miss the excited whoops of children a dogs playing outside (even though th occasionally dashed across the front law Have they both managed to forget rustle of wind among the fall leaves, the drumming of rain on the shingles d ing a summer thunderstorm?

Sad, sad, that life ever insulates us fr such things.

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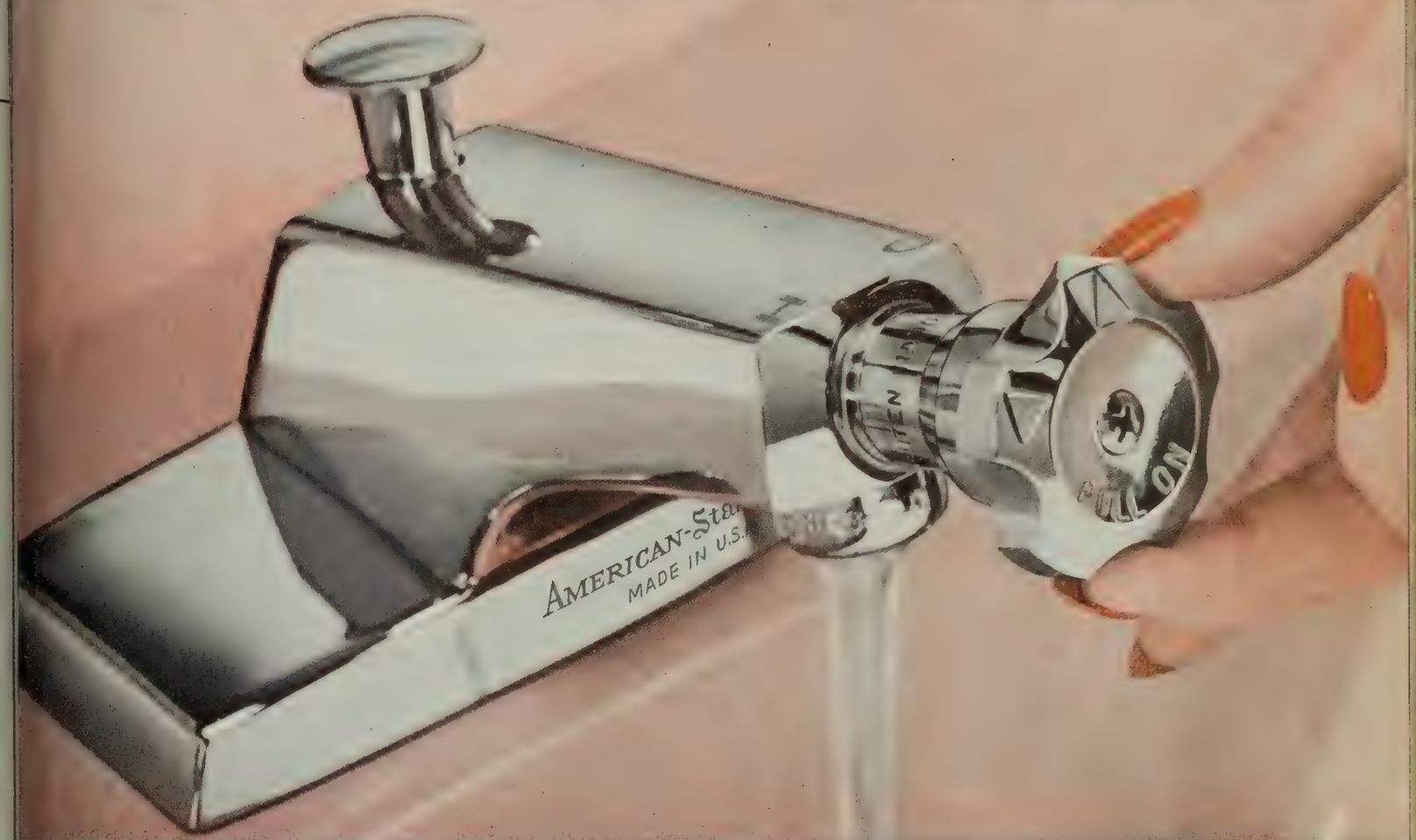
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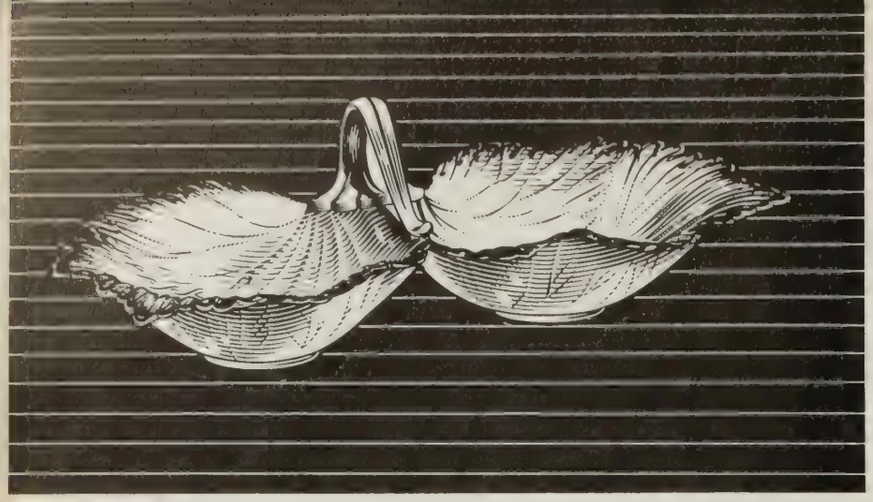
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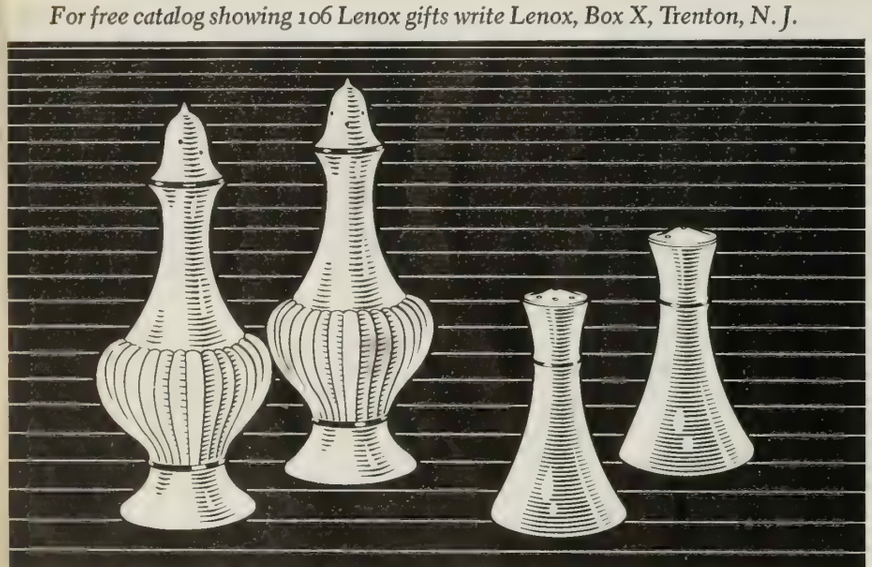
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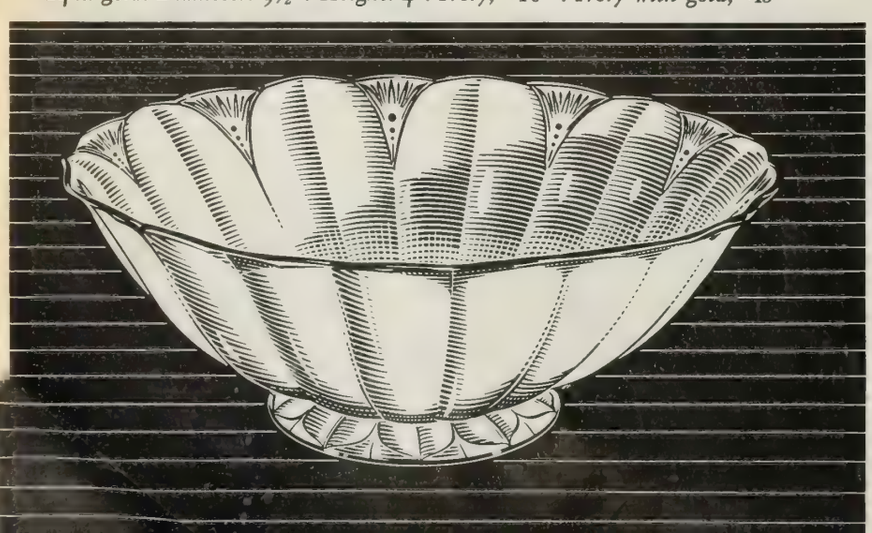


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Women in similar situations have asked me whether it wasn't difficult to retreat again into my own home. Not at all. I just arched my back and said "no" to all nominating committees. And when the Women's Society or PTA or whatever tried nudging me with my responsibilities, I performed what I think was a greater service than accepting new assignments myself: I suggested the names of other women, able women whose talents had not been used and who needed the organization as much as the organization needed them. In some cases, these women's abilities were unknown to the nominating committees—even to the women themselves—but those who accepted offices have more than justified the faith we had in them. They are growing in ability, as volunteers always do, and the organizations they serve are growing from their leadership. It's a joy to see new leaders. And it was a joy for me to follow again.

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In the fall, when the children went back to school, I began to read more. I experienced again the joys to which an overly organized life is immune. Occasionally, I visited the elderly couple that so enriches my life when I'm with them. I myself had visitors from out-of-town. Early in my year, I discovered that aloneness is not loneliness, and during hours by myself, I learned to hear silence and to live in it. I realized that I had been *doing* things too furiously, at the cost of *feeling, thinking, listening.* I thoroughly relished each day.

Now that my year's vacation is behind me, I am once again on the volunteer list. Already I have accepted several jobs. But I haven't forgotten how to say "no." Nor shall I. If ever again I find myself leaving one meeting before it's over in order to get to another that has already begun, I'll know that it's time for another sabbatical.

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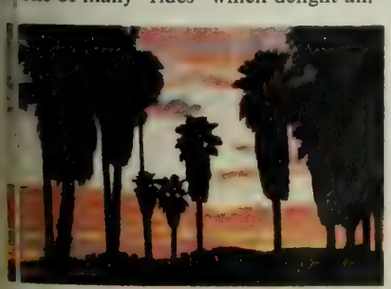
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The frosted glass inset has an electric bulb on the underside. You could use either incandescent lighting or fluorescent tube. The light installation plugs into a convenient outlet under the shelf. Wall cleats hold the wood shelf in place. The homeowner is Mrs. Edith Weiss.

Photograph: John Hartley. Designer: A. Allen Dizik, A.I.D. Data: Barbara Le

Photograph: Bill Hedrich, Hedrich-Blessing. Architects: Huebner & Henneberg. Data: Jessie Walker



Dark materials, natural finishes produce a rich-looking vanity

Walnut and marble are the key to richness in this handsome bath-dressing room at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Steigerwaldt, Palatine, Illinois.

Over-all illumination is provided by fluorescent tube over the vanity. The translucent corrugated plastic panel are easily removed for cleaning. A large wardrobe closet spans the wall opposite the vanity-width mirror.



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Why not start college in high school?

To ease two problems plaguing American education—the trouble freshmen sometimes have adjusting to college work, and the boredom of talented high-school seniors taking courses below their capacities—a growing number of communities have embarked on a bold experiment. With the help of local colleges, most of them 2-year institutions, these cities are allowing qualified seniors to start college while they're still in high school.

Long Beach, California, is one such community. Eight years ago, Long Beach City College, a publicly owned institution, began offering top-level high school seniors a number of courses required of freshmen in liberal arts colleges: political science, mathematics, history, languages. College techniques were strictly employed—lectures, heavy outside reading, term papers, tough exams. No academic concessions were made.

So successful was the experiment th graduating seniors from Long Beach so were being given full college credit for the courses when they enrolled in such univer ties as Stanford and California.

Other cities have used the plan wi comparable success. Gainesville, Texas, h employed it for 20 years now, and Bismarc North Dakota, is another staunch suppo er; credits for courses offered by its juni college are regularly transferred to su universities as Minnesota, Michigan, a Northwestern.

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What do extras cost in a new house?

Buying a new house can be in one way like buying a new car. You may begin with a basic model, one that includes everything that's absolutely essential to normal operation and comfort. To this basic model, you can then add a wide variety of features which increase the convenience *and*, of course, the cost. Since not everyone wants exactly the same combination of features, each buyer should gear his selection to his own desires and pocketbook.

When you buy a car, you usually know or can find out easily exactly what each of the extras costs. When you buy a house, it's not always so clear. But if you've been wondering what the additional cost of some of these special features will be in your new house, here's a guide. Our housing research has disclosed the approximate costs of some of the most requested special features. These are the prices you'd pay for inclusion of these extras in a builder's house. If you're planning a custom-designed home, of course, you won't be able to take advantage of the builder's volume buying and his ability to absorb installation costs. In this case, the prices may be slightly higher. Costs shown are for a house of 1,200-1,500 square feet and are based on a national average, which may vary in your locality.

Feature	Cost
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Paved driveway, 10′ by 40′	$2
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Screened and roofed patio, approximately 12′ by 15′, not including extra door to house	$8
One fireplace inside the house	$7
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Wood paneling in one room, approximately 12′ by 19′, medium-priced wood, such as pine, birch, mahogany	$1
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Built-in refrigerator, 12 cu. ft., medium-priced equipment	$5
Additional telephone outlets	$
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Built-in dishwasher	$3
Built-in washer and dryer (2 units)	$5
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These chests are 30 inches wide and 29½ inches high, b you could get ones to suit the available space.

Photograph: George Harris. Designer: Kenneth Todes. Data: Lois I

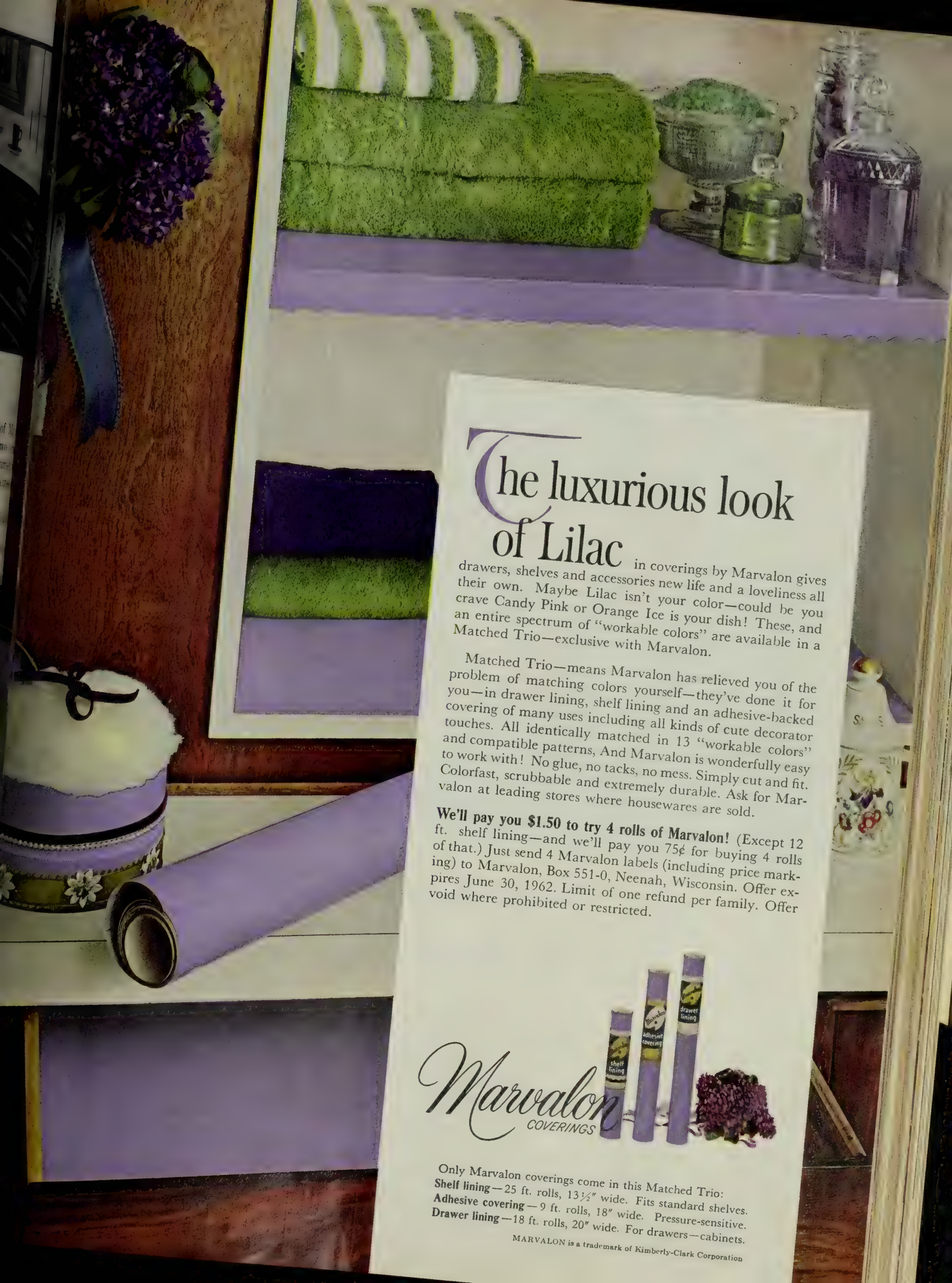
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This dining-room built-in holds everything but the food

A table-high built-in runs from wall to wall in the dinin room of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Heidt of Cincinnati. The lam inated-plastic top is ideal for buffet service, and the cabine is equipped with drawers for silver, shelves for mats an napkins, and rolls for tablecloths.

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The second test is expectation. Suppose you are wondering whether to insure an outsize plate-glass window. The annual premium is about $15, and the cost of replacing the window—$300—is just twenty times as much. What should you do? Simply ask yourself if you expect to average as much as one breakage in twenty years. This expectation depends upon things only you can know: your particular vulnerability to storms, falling trees, children's play, and such. If the calculation is close, buy the insurance. Better to have to pay $15 a year than $300 in a lump sum, simply as a matter of financial shock.

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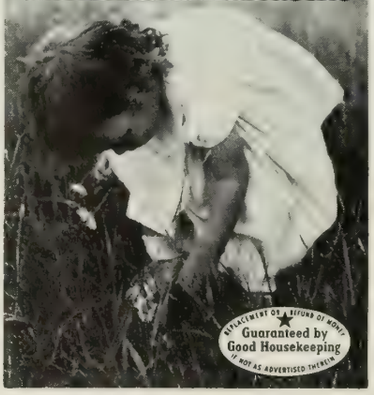
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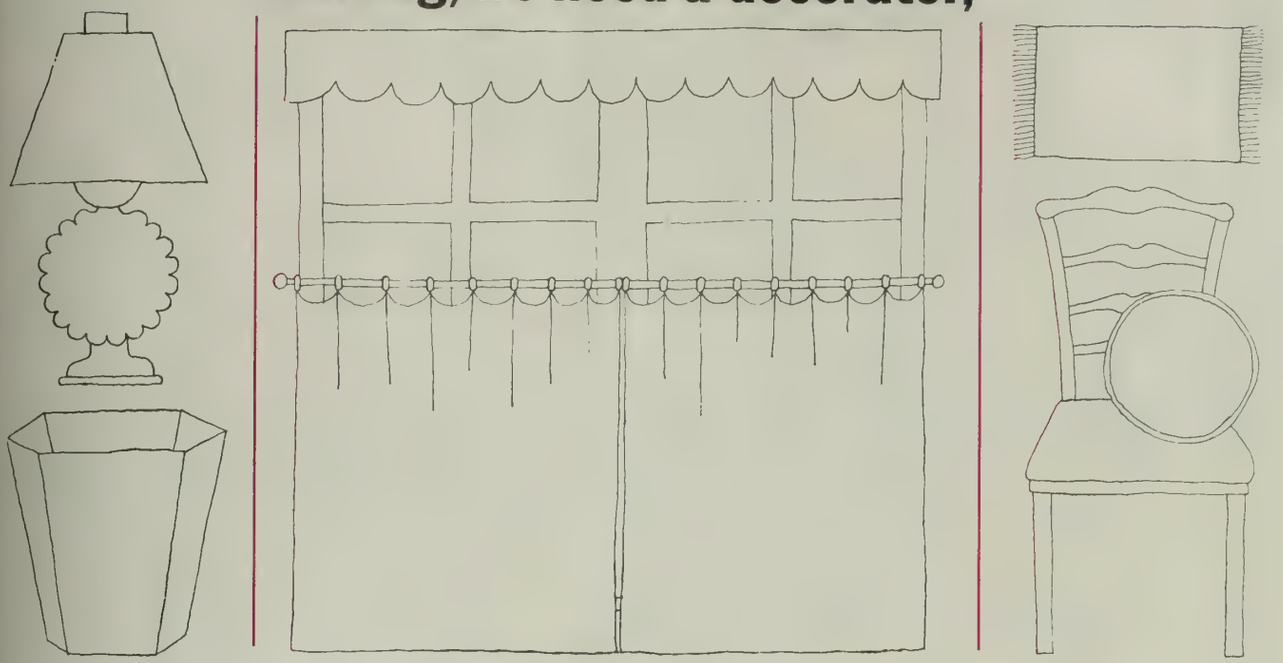
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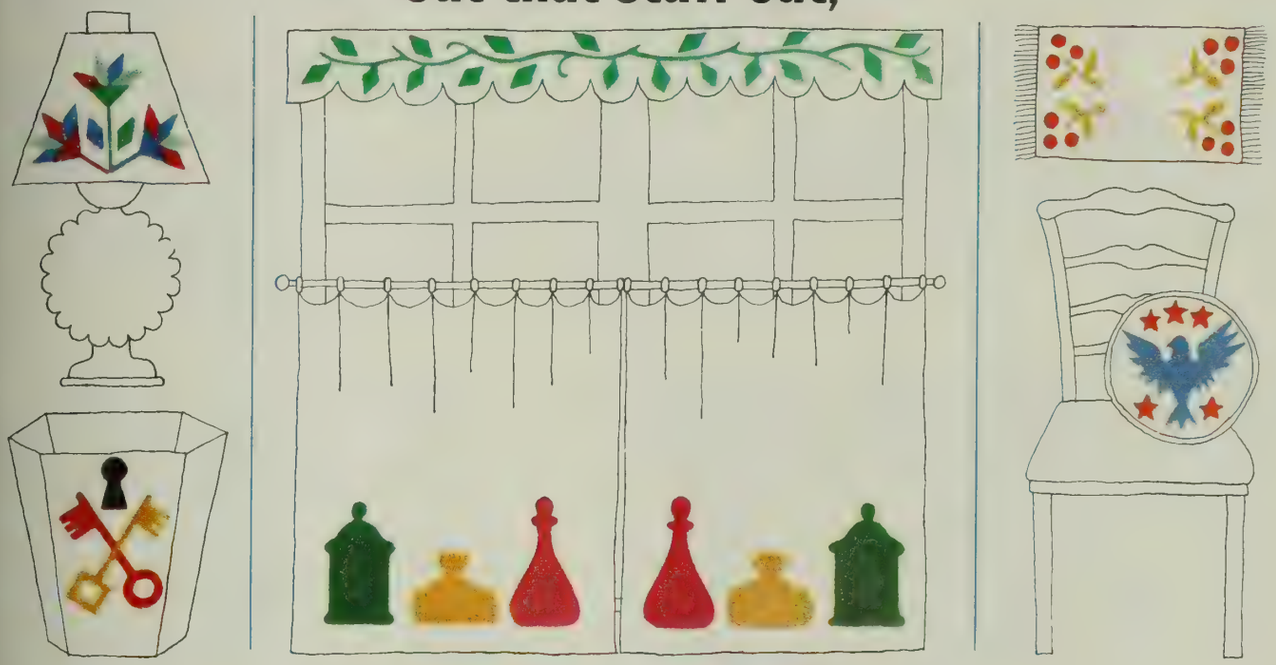
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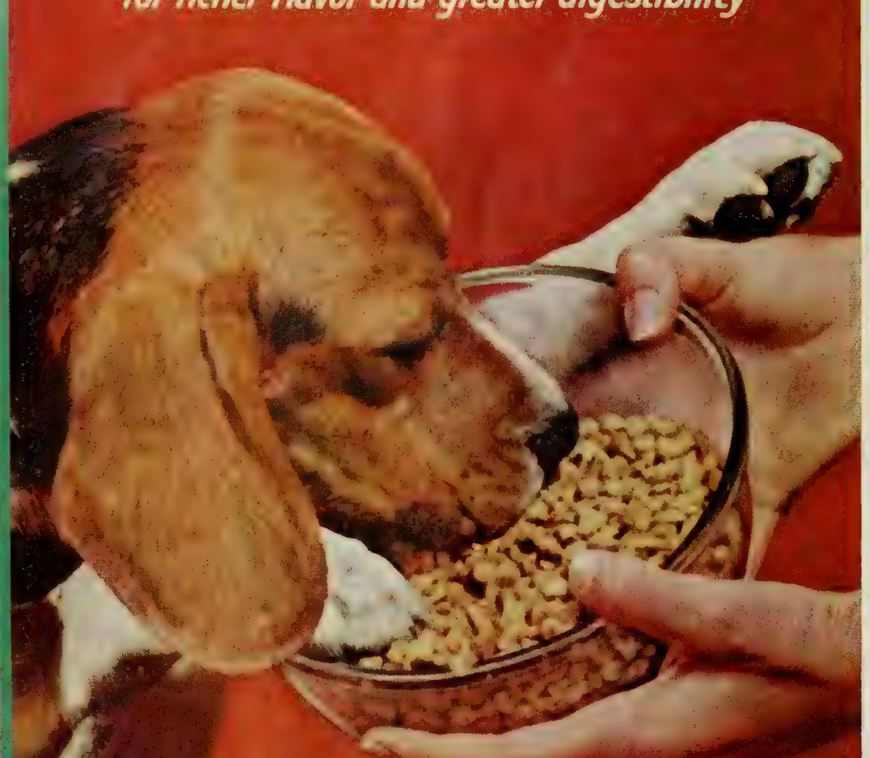
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Landscape architect: Katharine St

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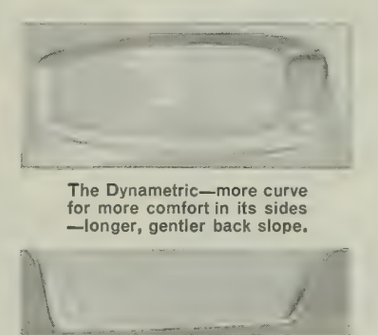
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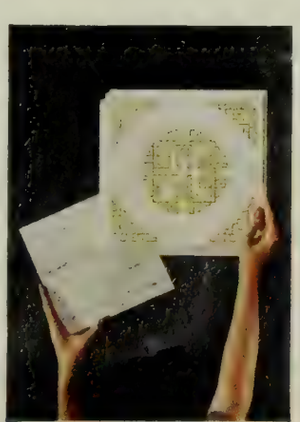
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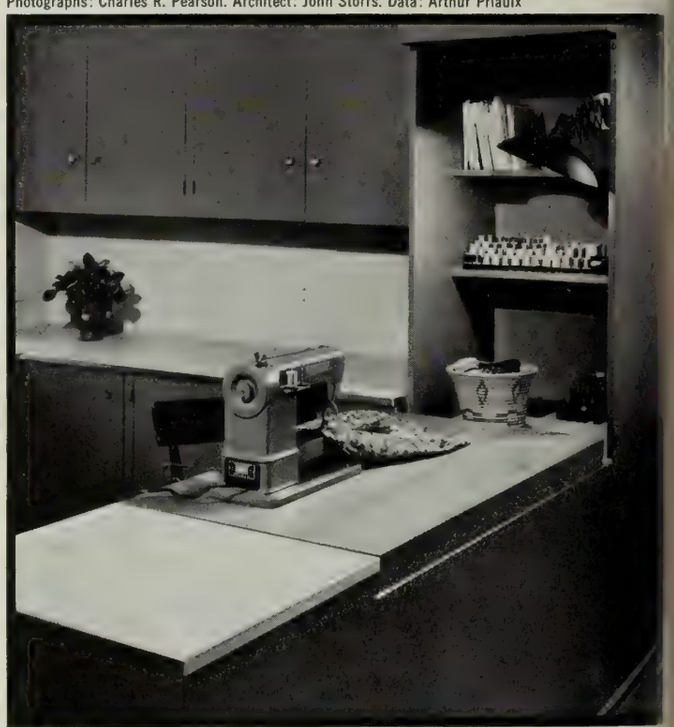


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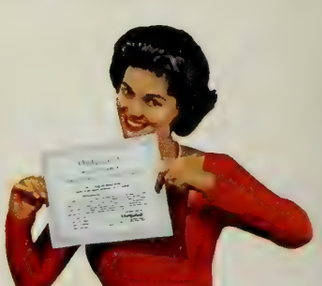
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The weekend father

By Oscar Schisgall

When he came out of his hotel room, Will Dever went straight to the telegraph desk and sent a wire to Laurie, his daughter: "Happy birthday. Would give anything to be with you and Mother today. All my love. Dad."

Then he entered the coffee shop, but breakfast was tasteless, for Will Dever's thoughts were 800 miles away. From his pocket, he took the letter he'd received last night from his wife, and read again Fran's plans for celebrating Laurie's thirteenth birthday—particularly the paragraph about a six o'clock supper party for Laurie's closest friends. At the bottom, Laurie had added a hasty message of her own:

"Gee, Dad, your letter about Valley Forge State Park was terrific! I showed it to Miss Lynn, and she made me read it to the class. If I'd had it last week, when we had that essay contest, I'd have quoted practically all of it. Thanks!"

Will Dever smiled, returned the letter to his pocket, and walked out to his car. He was a tall, loose-limbed man of 38 whose brown suit was wrinkled because he seldom stayed in one hotel long enough to have it pressed.

This morning he drove like a robot, seeing nothing except the road ahead. He knew every mile of it. He was on roads like this five days a week, fifty weeks a year, a regional supervisor going from one Lico Gas Station to another, inspecting, talking, settling the problems of a thousand gas dealers. It was a good job. It paid well enough. But what was the use of having a good job if it prevented you from being a good father?

Today he would have given anything to crush Laurie in his arms, to feel her soft hair against his cheek. That would have to wait till the weekend. Weekends were the only times Will Dever could go home, and it constantly worried him. "What can a man do in just two days a week?" he thought, with some bitterness. "How can he give his daughter companionship, love, and understanding?"



With letters, he had tried to make up for his absence. A letter a day. Every evening. Sometimes long, sometimes short, but every day without fail. He'd write first to Fran, then a special note to Laurie, telling her where he'd been, what he'd done, whom or what he'd seen.

It wasn't easy to be interesting every day. You had to find fresh material, and that meant taking time to look for it. Like the evening he'd spent last week with the Mennonite family in Pennsylvania. Or like the stop he'd made in a wild Indiana downpour, to see the Little Pigeon Baptist Church where Lincoln's sister was buried. Or like taking most of his lunch hour yesterday to look through a factory that made synthetic fabrics. He could recall these experiences in words, but could letters be a substitute for the warmth of being together?

Suddenly Will Dever saw a sign that said: *Glenwood 8* A bleak laugh broke from him as he swung off the road back. He had unwittingly passed four towns and seve stations, lost in his thoughts about Laurie. But it didn't r He had reached a decision. Sometimes a man had to sacrifices for his kid. For him, the time had come.

Friday afternoon, at the office, Will Dever faced o Rice, his boss. "You crazy?" Rice demanded. "Quit a these years? What for?"

"As I told you," Will said, "the job's fine. But it's became a real father. I've got to have more time at h

Joe leaned back in his swivel chair and regarde thoughtfully. "Look, Will, be fair to yourself. You know next in line for this desk. Once you get it, you won't h travel at all. And I'm 61 years old. In four years, I hit ment age, and you step into my shoes. It's just a ma holding out four years longer, Will."

"The most important years in Laurie's life, Joe. when she *needs* a father around. No, I've thought it out.

"But what'll you *do* if you quit? Where will you go?"

"I don't know. I'll find another job."

"Give it more thought over the weekend," Joe said. it over with Fran. I won't let you throw away fourteen service—and seniority—just like that!"

"Well, all right," Will finally said. "But the weekend make any difference."

Laurie was overjoyed with the gold charm bracelet h brought for her birthday. She sat on the side of his chai arm around his shoulders, the other raised high so she admire the dangling doodads. "Oh, Dad, it's a beauty said. "The most wonderful surprise I ever had!"

Fran, watching with an affectionate smile, said, "L why don't you show Dad the surprise you have for *hi*

"What surprise?" Will asked. Laurie, uttering a littl leaped up and ran to her room.

And in that moment, Fran's smile disappeared. She b grave. "Will," she said, "Joe Rice phoned while you w the way home. He begged me to make you change your m

Will squirmed a bit uneasily. "And what did *you* say asked.

"I said it was something you had to decide for your know how you feel. On the other hand—"

She stopped when Laurie came tearing down the sta huge red-bound volume under her arm. She placed the proudly in Will's lap. "Shakespeare!" she said. "Com works. My prize for winning the essay contest. I came in She opened the book to show him her essay pasted insi front cover.

He had known about the contest. Nevertheless, the t her essay astonished him: *What a Teen-ager Expects of P* "What a teen-ager wants most from her *dad*," he read, "i treated like a grownup—or like an almost-grownup, an If he shares his thoughts and experiences with her, it sho respects her intelligence. I've seen lots of tired fathers home and kiss their kids and then push them away as if t to them just wasn't worth-while. Coming home and not sh doesn't mean much.

"My father is away five days a week. But he writes m way he writes to Mother, about all the things that happ him and the people he sees. That makes me part of hi It's wonderful, being treated like that. It makes me feel and grown-up. Though I miss my dad, I always know close he is to me and how he's sharing his whole life with

There was much more, but Fran's voice interrupte reading. "I think what Laurie was trying to say was th not always how much of your *time* you give, but how mu *yourself*."

Yes, but Will knew Laurie had said something else that he had been a pretty good father even while he'd away, and that he could continue being just as good a without giving up his lifework.

Fran asked, "Don't you think she's right, dear?"

Will Dever turned away, nodding agreement. END

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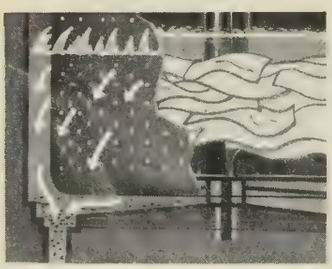
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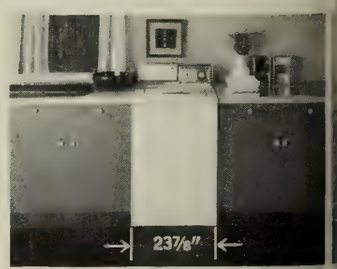
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Color makes old things look bright and new. Color on inexpensive materials builds them up—makes them look richer. Color in unexpected places calls attention to your decorating skill and accents an otherwise modest room. Color is interesting, and so are those people who use it that way.

Of course, it easily can be overdone. Nobody wants to live for very long in a wild merry-go-round house that shrieks with vivid tones every place you look.

But the range of *good taste* in color is broader than you may think. For instance, the bright, warm tones on the opposite page are just right for homeowner Lucian Horton. Other families might prefer cooler or more muted colors, like some on the following pages.

Because color is so important, *Better Homes & Gardens* this month is launching a new series of articles about how to use color confidently—and abundantly. Throughout this year, we'll be showing you dozens of ideas for bringing the new colors into your house, into your garden, into the everyday arts—into just about every phase of your family's life.

Whenever you see our color slogan and its kaleidoscope symbol, read the article thoroughly, examine the pictures closely—and we guarantee color soon will become *your* way of life!





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Photograph: William Howland. Interior Designer: Barbara D'Arcy



Right: This comfortable desk corner has an elegant custom look—created by a clever use of paper. Red paisley wallpaper, patterned after an old Indian print, was selected to add an inviting warmth to the area. The same paisley paper covers stock wood bookshelves, which are mitered at the corner and supported by baroque metal brackets. The rich tones of old leather-bound volumes, seasoned woods, and traditional paintings have been used to sustain the mellowness in this corner-of-the-room study.

Photograph: Bill Hedrich, Hedrich-Blessing. Architect: David Osler. Data: Betty Conn



Right center: There's no need to forget rich colors or soft fabrics when you plan your kitchen. This one, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Dobson, Ann Arbor, Michigan, has plenty of both. The carpet and draperies in the open hallway continue from the dining and living rooms, making the kitchen as handsome as the rest of the house. The peninsular cooking surface separates messier work from fabrics without cutting them out of the room. And there's plenty of light to snap up the exciting colors.

Right below: The dining area of this living room shows imaginative use of color with its dull mustard walls and gold draperies. A view of the city roof tops is subdued and framed by the simple window treatment. Stock wood grille shutters, cut to fit into the window frame, are covered by floor-to-ceiling draperies that draw across the entire window to provide privacy. The air-conditioning unit has been camouflaged by painting it the same color as the walls.

Photograph: William Howland. Interior Designer: Paul Krauss, A.I.D.



Left: An original painting by Anthony Ballatore started a mustard and blue color scheme in this dining room. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Kaufman, Monmouth Beach, New Jersey, wanted their summer home easy to maintain, so they planned as few furnishings as possible and made every piece count with color. White walls let them use vibrant colors with gay abandon to accent floor and furniture. Let a prize possession suggest your color scheme—it's a wonderful way for you to start redecorating.

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Photograph: Suter, Hedrich-Blessing. Decorator: Lorna Garon, A.I.D., Data: Ruth Lee

Left: Here's a simple trick that sets the stage for your most elegant buffet. The eye-catching awning was created of yellow window shade fabric with fringe trim. The three cloth strips are supported by a regal-looking bar and spears, then drop from the ceiling down the wall, forming a colorful background for the teak buffet table. Add a touch of royal blue, some sparkling whites, and the end result is dining at its prettiest. Glassware and napkins repeat the blue, yellow, and green theme.



Photograph: George de Gennaro. Designer: Jack Saggser. Data: Pauline Graves

Left: This luxurious-looking bedroom is in the home of Mrs. Esther Parsons of Los Angeles, but its ideas could well be in your home. The use of a single color for all of the furnishings —with no distracting small patterns —makes the room seem much larger than it really is. When this development house was remodeled, two double-hung windows were replaced by the eight-foot-wide sliding glass door that opens on the new patio. This lets the outdoor greenery highlight the warm gold inside the room.



Right: Decorating with one color can create an exciting atmosphere. This was once a garden, bounded by the house, garage, and breezeway (the latter is the guest room seen through door). Mr. and Mrs. Robert de Luccia, Oswego, Oregon, used a shimmering yellow-green from stem to stern— combining it with the texture of brick and plants. The de Luccias added glass on the outside wall and flooded the room with daylight through generous skylights.



P...graph: Charles Pearson. Architect: John Storrs, A I A. Data: Arthur Prieaux

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Photograph: George Szanik. Architect: William Sutherland Beckett, A.I.A. Data: Barbara Lennox



eft: If you like your color strong, you'll ally go for the torrid hues of this mily room in the home of Lucian orton, Malibu, California. The wall, nished with brilliant stain, makes an eal spot to display a miscellany of etches. The rug suggested the blend of her colors with orange. Dining table ubles as a hobby and game table; ndsome chest was built by the owner.

Right: Here's what a splash of color can do for an ordinary white kitchen! A brilliant red-glazed wall surface extends up to the plate rail and forms a lively background for Mexican primitive paintings. There's just room enough for a tiny marble table and two old chairs hich have been bleached and reupholstered in a beige fabric. The bright feature wall is set off by whites and neutrals.

Far right: What can you do with a little leftover piece of room? Give it some glamour, that's what! The George Rehills, Darien, Connecticut used damask wallpaper in shades of antique gold to turn the area between two jutting closets to a wonderful background for the white-and-brass bed heads. Gold pillows repeat the wall color to unify the color scheme.

Right: Can you top the colorful ceiling in this kitchen eating area? The lace-patterned wall covering overhead repeats the single strong color of the brightly painted stools parked under the counter. And note the charming antique lantern. It serves as a cooky jar, and pairs with the weather vane silhouetted on the wall as accent for the walnut and white of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Levand's kitchen.



Photograph: de Gennaro. Owners-decorators: Hunter and White, N.S.I.D. Data: Pauline Graves



Photograph: Hedrich. Architects: Shayman & Salk. Data: Jessie Walker



Photograph: Ernest M. Silva. Data: Betty Rehill



Photograph: de Gennaro. Landscape Architect: William C Rogers, A.S.L.A. Data: Pauline Gi

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Photograph: Bill Hedrich, Hedrich-Blessing. Architect: David Osler. Data: Betty Conn



Right: Here's a family room to make you turn green with envy! This fun-to-look-at, fun-to-be-in room is an important part of the home of the John S. Dobson family, Ann Arbor, Michigan. It is a fine example of the way a good choice of color can glamorize a room built to take hard knocks. Notice how well the painted doors fit with the built-in tan shades of the acoustic ceiling tile and the durable cork floor. And it's so easy to repaint just one banged-up door!

Left: Bold and dramatic use of color provides unusual contrast in the entryway of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cornel Wilde. The white concrete walk, with a speckling of mica for interest, is separated into sections by wood dividers painted black. The angular lines of the walk are softened by plantings of ajuga, azaleas, podocarpus, and aralia. Wrought-iron grilles between roof-support pipes are painted pink—each a deeper tone as you approach the door. The front wall is painted a bright red to accent the jet-black entrance door.

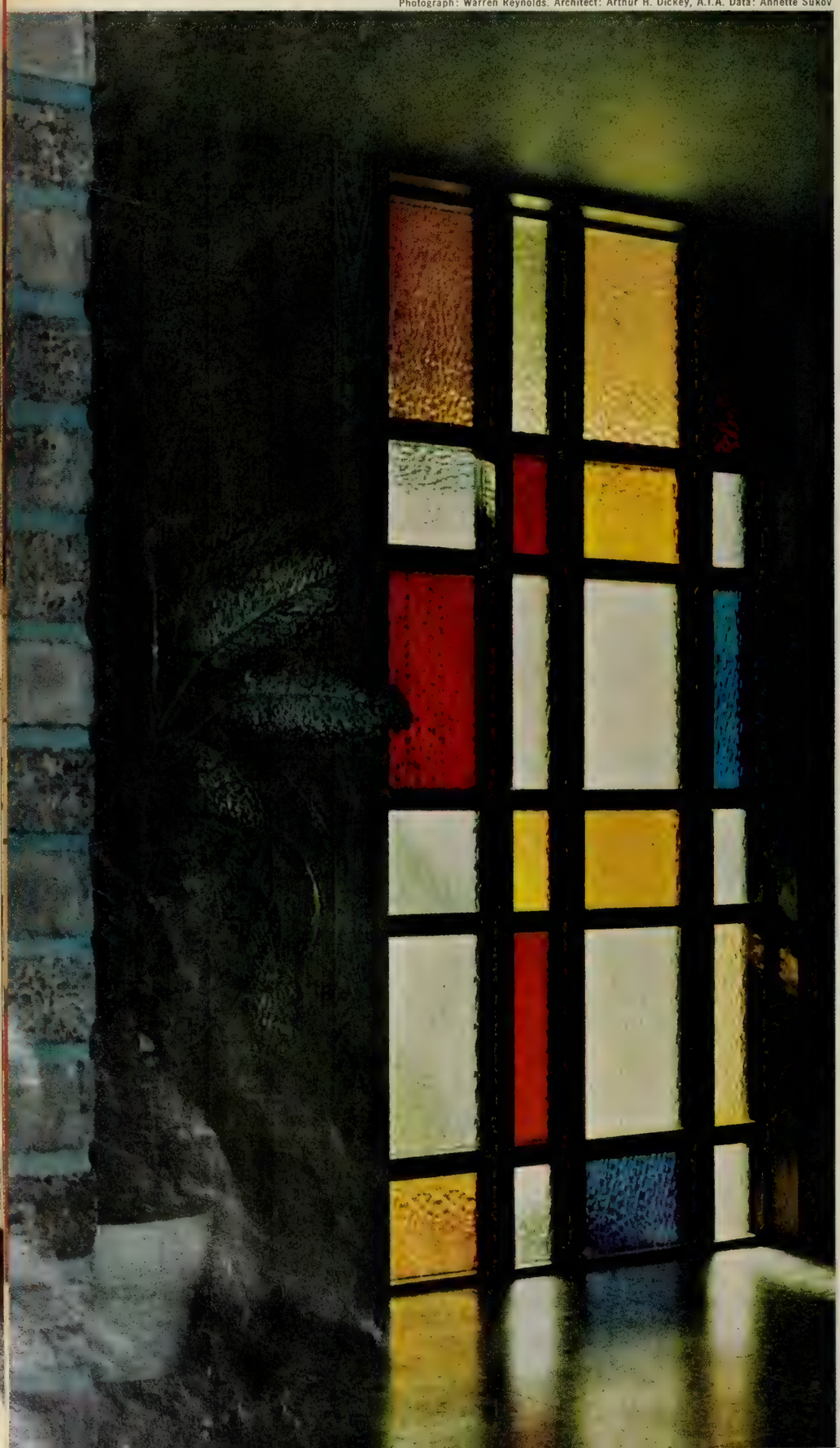
Photographed at National Design Center by Wm. Howland. Designer: James Amster, A.I.D.



Right: Elegant styling in this kitchen starts with mellow tones of the natural finished woods. These tones are carried out in easy-care vinyl parquet flooring, which gives a luxury look, yet takes kitchen spills and splashes. The delicate outlines of the crystal lighting fixture create more elegance and reflect the muted gray pattern of the wall covering. The bright crimson chair cushions and the clear blue cabinet add sparkle. Unity comes from the dark finished cabinets and the neutral colored wall.

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Photograph: Warren Reynolds. Architect: Arthur H. Dickey, A.I.A. Data: Annette Sukov



Photograph: William F. Howland. Interior Designer: Ethel G. Alper, A.I.D.



Photograph: John Hartley. Decorator: Arthur Elrod, A.I.D. Data: Barbara Lenox



Right: Sliding glass doors bring the patio right into the master bedroom of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dorman, Sherman Oaks, California. Painting the patio chairs to blend with color of the bedroom adds to the over-all unity between the inside and the outside. It's a good idea to use green in a room that has this exposure to foliage.



Photograph: George de Gennaro. Architect: Richard Dorman, A.I.A. Data: Barbara Lennox

Right: Guests at the home of the Ted Keller amily, Lake Oswego, Oregon, get a dramatic introduction to the house in this warmly colored entry. Floor-to-ceiling aluminum closet doors contrast sharply with the dark double-entry doors. Owners made the light fixture by stretching heavy cotton yarn, dipped in starch, over an inflated balloon.

ur left: A shimmering stained-glass panel, ick walls, and oak planks bring vibrant auty to this entry in the home of Dr. and rs. Robert Sturges. The stained glass has textured surface both inside and outside. unlight through the amber, red, blue, and llow glass creates intriguing light patterns the terrazzo floor of the entryway.

ft above: Each little touch contributes to e pleasant atmosphere of this tiny kitchen. he rich cranberry shade of the breakfast ble matches the darkest petals of the wer-sprigged vinyl wall tiles. This accent ayed against the light and airy pastels the background—and repeated elsewhere—und out this happy blend of pink and red.

ft: Color has gone to the floor in this tryway—and forms a pleasing transition tween the solid-tone carpeting and the lorful door. The yellow, red, and green ipes sewed into the carpet also define the try area. With today's carpet, there's no ed for sewing. You could cement feature ipes or patterns into your floor covering.



Photograph: Charles R. Pearson. Architect: Donald Blair, A.I.A. Data: Arthur Priaulx



Start with something multicolored, then repeat the hues

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Multihued carpet yarn is one of this year's favorite color scheme starters. Here, the carpet shimmers with dots of color—like an Impressionist's canvas.

This floorful of blended blue and green tufts might inspire you, as it did us, to use a bold, clear green in the chair upholstery and cushions—and brilliant blue in the paneled wall and bedspread.

The striped rug echoes turquoise and violet variations on the blue-green rug theme and suggests a new accent color for the lounge chair. However, one color dominates. The carpet, vinyl floor, and entryway are all in the blue-green family.

Here's the kind of color scheme you can build from one main hue, making use of correlated colors for sparkle and zest.

Let a patterned fabric guide you to foolproof color scheme. We chose a sma floral print that picked up the colors the blue-green rug—then we painted t walls to blend with the bronze-gre background of the fabric.

Other colors in the window and cha fabric set the pace for the upholster love seat and the area rug.



tart with lots of neutrals, then add one strong accent

By Florence Byerly

color scheme is created

Hue, in several forms, is artfully used with stone, wood, cork, and ever-useful white, gray, and black.

One advantage of the neutral-plus-one-hue formula is its adaptability. Working with the neutrals, you can easily change your one-color walls and accessories. If you like to change some colors fairly often, this is for you.

Green sprinkled around this room becomes jewellike against neutral black, white, and warm wood tones.

The dressing room and quilted spread are colored like the floor and wood—a space-making trick that can unify your small room while creating a workable neutral background for splashes of your favorite accent color.

Red sparks new life into the mellow neutrals of this cork floor and provincial wood. Use of a vivid accent color does wonders for white, too.

In using one strong hue, you should take care to see that it balances throughout your room. Notice how the cabinet and stair carpet are tied together by the patterned dining room rug.

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IMPACT—with quiet color





Photographs: Bill Hedrich, Hedrich-Blessing

By John D. Bloodgood

MANY people tell us, "Our home lacks interest and brightness simply because we don't want to use colors that will shout at us all the time. And we can't seem to get anywhere with soft colors. We end up with the same flat, drab look we've always had."

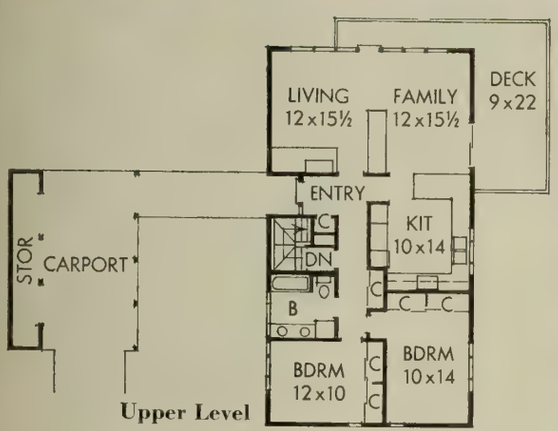
These people certainly pinpoint a problem. Strong colors do have more immediate interest. And yet for those whose taste is more subdued, there's a wonderful color lesson in this home. Its scheme is just vivid enough to command notice and compliments from guests —yet comfortable to live with.

The coming-home view (above) is pleasant—even cooling on warm days—in the green seasons. In wintry snowscapes, it is equally welcoming against the ground's whiteness.

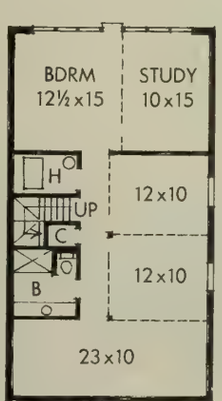
The secret? There isn't any, really—it is just good-taste, good-sense color scheming. The design helps, of course. (The low-pitched roof isn't visible, so it has no effect on the color choice.) The soft green of the large areas is sparked by the yellow accents; simple white trim defines the two colors.

At the entry (left), the plywood siding brings you right inside. And from the privacy of the back lawn (right), the glass end shows that living here means a blend of indoors and out, no matter where you happen to be.

Designers: William R. Jenkins A.I.A. and Al Miller. Builder: Fritz Gookin, Member Des Moines Chapter, NAHB



Upper Level



Lower Level

The upper level is a complete 1,187-square-foot home with excellent zoning and traffic patterns. Lower level can be developed as shown or to suit your needs. Over-all dimensions are 47½x25 feet.

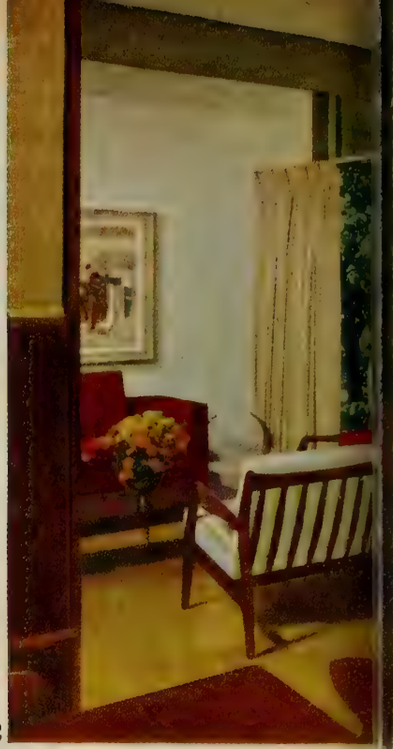


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Using only one basic color lets the entire living space flow together, but subtle changes in color accents give each area a definite mood of its own.

The formal seating area is restful and sophisticated. The adjoining family area is much more casual and stimulating because of the color shift. Glass rear wall lets outdoor spaces add depth and richness to both areas.

Yellow moves into the kitchen, too, but look at it here! Bright appliances and walnut cabinets are a rich combination—they make work here pleasant and efficient.



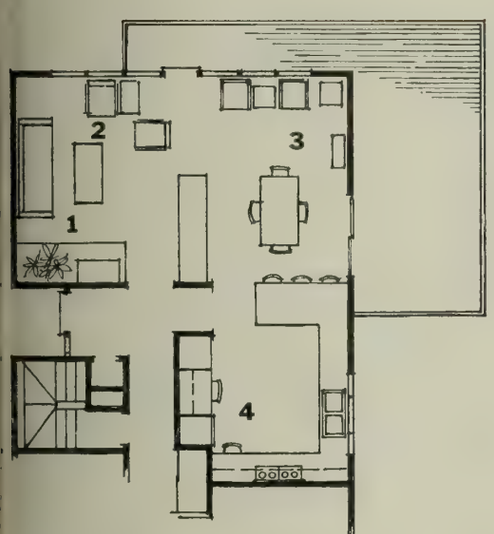
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Movement from formal to informal to kitchen areas, and from inside to outside, is easy and natural. Each area borrows space from the others, and all borrow from the out-of-doors to make the whole house seem bigger than it really is.

Kitchen cabinets, hall, and stairway effectively block noise from bedrooms.

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This is a COLOR SPLASH in the making!

By Russell O'Harra

Now is the time to plan ahead for color that only mums can add to your garden. By planting some of the exciting new varieties, you'll have the brightest fall garden in town. Here are two new ones that are sure to command attention. The brilliant yellow of Star Trail's spidery flowers (top) will light up any garden —and they'll bloom before frost. Knock-out (bottom) is an All-America Mum Selection for 1962. The soft, rose-pink blooms completely cover this low-growing, cushion-type mum, for a solid mound of color.



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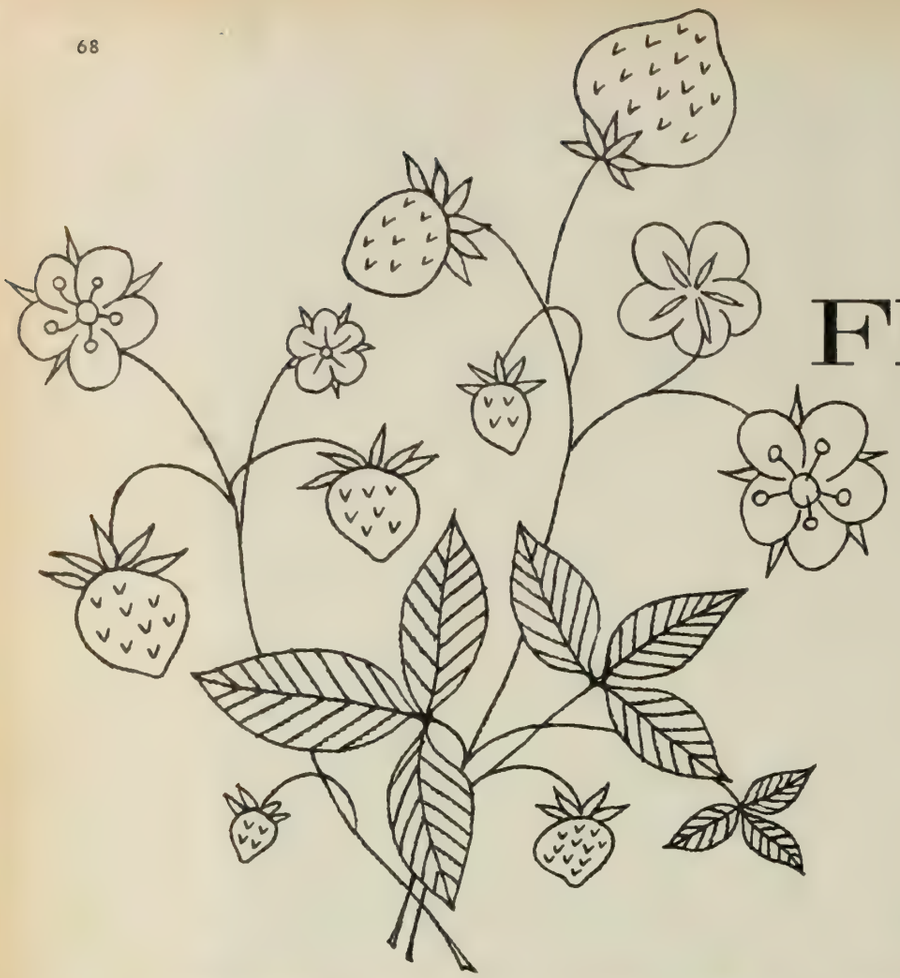
A real show stopper is Flameburst, another beautiful All-America for 1962. This early bloomer boasts coral-red petals which shade to gold toward the center of its 3½-inch flowers. Bushy 30-inch plants hold the long-lasting flowers erect. Flameburst will flash its color in your garden for seasons to come.

A well-prepared bed is a must for success with mums. Dig the area a foot deep, adding plenty of peat moss or compost—mums like a loose, friable soil. Work fertilizer into the soil and follow up with light monthly applications until buds show color.



Set your new plants, or divisions of your old ones, at least 15 inches apart in the new bed. Group several plants of same variety together to get lovely drifts of color. A porous mulch will help insure adequate moisture and minimize disease problems.





FLOWERS THAT NEVER GREW

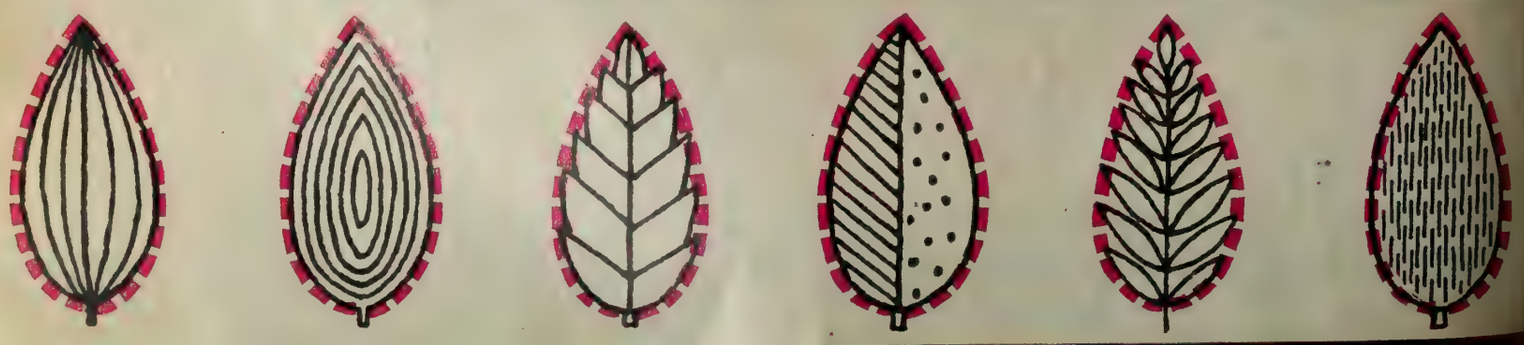
By Roxa Wright



The strawberry cluster shown full size at the top of the page is ready for you to trace on fabric of your choice. It was designed for a place mat but would be charming embroidered on an apron-towel-potholder ensemble.



Notice how well the stitches express the textures — smooth satin-stitch for the petals, long-and-short ones for bumpy berries. Slanted satin-stitch gives notched effect to leaves, split-stitch gives sturdiness to stems.



...ihs: Hopkins



Boxed bedspread with herb designs on drop has matching pillow sham for the headboard. Use on fashionable low bed or over a dust ruffle. Top of spread is lightly covered with widely scattered small flower sprigs.

DRAWINGS OF FLOWERS make perfect designs for embroidery. They abound in books, prints, old herbals, and current magazines—and most of them need very little pruning and rearranging. To arrive at the designs here, old botanical drawings were traced. First the roots were trimmed, then the extra leaves and stems, varying their curves to fit the area to be decorated. You can make flowers larger, or add more if you wish—even change the colors.

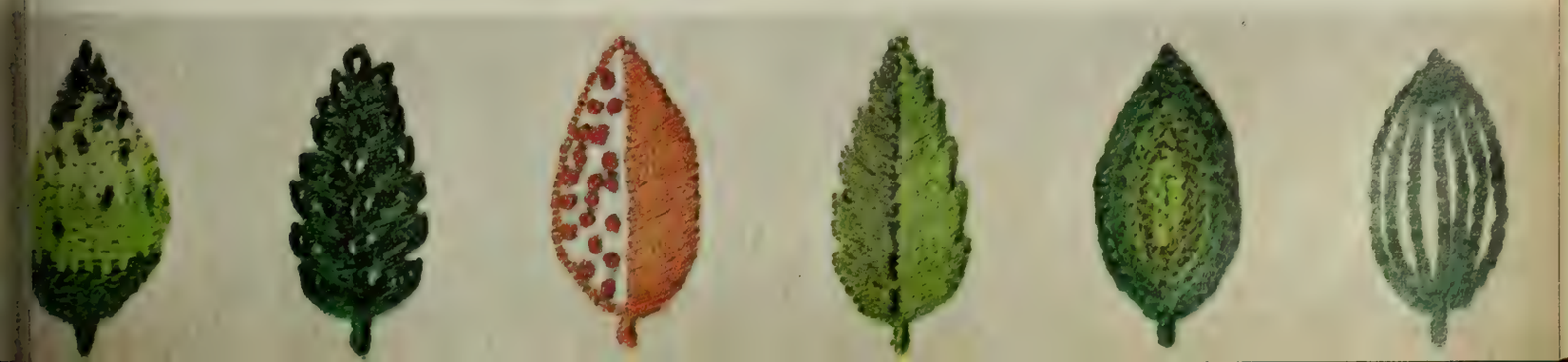
For the bedspread and pillow sham shown above, a group of herb drawings were traced, then balanced for size and shape. Paper drawings were pinned onto the fabric to form a rhythm or repeat.

The sampler-border below shows how the same shape (shown by the dotted lines) can be varied by stitches used. This may become a design in itself to be repeated along the edge of a place mat or towel, or used in staggered rows on a pillow top. The leaf border, as well as the strawberry design, is full size and can easily be traced onto fabric.

If you prefer to make your own design, but feel the drawing you have traced is too small, have a photostatic copy made and enlarged to the size you wish. This is not an expensive service, and for only a little more money, you can have it enlarged from the original negative to several different sizes to use for various purposes.

After your design has been perfected to the lines and size you wish, make a [*Turn to page 132*

You can order patterns for tracing the floral designs pictured on the bedspread above. Send $3.75 in coin. Or, if you wish to purchase a prestamped bedspread and pillow sham (in all white), these kits are available at the following prices: Single- or twin-bed size (adjustable up to 39 in. wide) $24.95; or double-bed size (standard 54-in. width) $29.95, both ppd. All thread included. Send check or money order (sorry, no stamps or C.O.D's) to BETTER HOMES & GARDENS, Dept. 7704, Des Moines 3, Iowa.



By Myrna Johnston and Foods Staff

BAKED HAM
TUNA-NOODLE CASSEROLE
BAR-B-Q MEAT LOAVES
CHICKEN PIE

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From the best-loved COOK BOOK of all time!

A 21-recipe salute to the latest edition of the Better Homes and Gardens New Cook Book. Join in the celebration!



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Better Homes and Gardens *made history in 1930 when we introduced the first ring-bound cook book ever published. The idea was to make it a complete recipe file with chapter dividers—more pages could be added where they belonged. This first edition answered the needs of the homemakers of that era. And so it is that the* Better Homes and Gardens *Cook Book has continued to mirror the changing times from the Thirties on into the Sixties.*

The first revision came in 1935, ushering in food photographs and replacing "icebox" recipes with "refrigerator." In 1937, Better Homes and Gardens *magazine started its now-famous add-a-page feature, those punched-hole pages to fit the Cook Book. (Today, more and more readers clip and file the Cook Book pages of new Prize Tested Recipes that appear in each issue.)*

By 1939, the Cook Book wore a white cover. The news: how to cook frozen vegetables, fix-ups for canned vegetables, special-event meals.

The 1941 edition dressed our Cook Book in red-and-white plaid. Color photographs were added, also directions for making cake by electric mixer.

A decade later, we included pressure-pan recipes, oven meals, quick-mix cakes and chiffon cakes, how to cook for the crowd or a few.

In 1953, the Cook Book boasted new chapters on jiffy cooking and outdoor barbecues.

Now the 1962 edition! Your trusted friend in the red-and-white cover offers many more short-cut recipes, fun foods, gourmet and family dishes, electric-appliance helps. And the most beautiful color pictures yet!

It's these constant improvements that have made Better Homes and Gardens *Cook Book a cherished member of over eight million families.*







Allen Snook

FROM OUR SALAD RECIPES

Swedish Pickled Shrimp in a ring of Tomato Aspic could be the hub of a company luncheon or a summer patio supper. The shrimp take on a blend of spicy flavors from a marinade, so they may be speared on picks to serve as an appetizer if preferred. To go with salads—or to be one: skewered relishes (in the ruffled plaid bowl). Hot accompaniment: Toasted Cheese Loaf (on checked tray).

Perfection Salad. That's the glistening mold decked out with carrot tulips. Popular for generations, this shredded-cabbage and pimiento salad complements meats, from roasts to cold cuts. We think you'll agree our version has just the right tang and crunch.

Chef's Salad Bowl. The beauty is in the arrangement. Here we have wedges of hard-cooked egg, ripe-olive rings, cherry tomatoes for a center, and green onions as tall dividers. You might add strips of ham or chicken or cheese—or all three. With this help-yourself salad, pass a bowl of Russian Dressing.

Frozen Cocktail Slices. It can be salad. Or dessert. Or both! No last-minute fuss with this fruited cream-cheese and marshmallow mold—it's all ready, awaits your pleasure.

Tomato Aspic. Can't be beat as a partner salad for sea food, ham, or chicken.

4 cups tomato juice
⅓ cup chopped onion
¼ cup chopped celery leaves
2 tablespoons brown sugar
1 teaspoon salt
2 small bay leaves
4 whole cloves
2 envelopes unflavored gelatin
3 tablespoons lemon juice
1 cup finely chopped celery

Mix *2 cups* of tomato juice with next 6 ingredients. Simmer uncovered 5 minutes. Strain. Meanwhile, soften gelatin in *1 cup* of remaining *cold* tomato juice; dissolve in *hot* mixture. Add remaining tomato juice and the lemon juice. Chill till partially set. Add celery. Pour into 5-cup ring mold. Chill till firm. Unmold on crisp greens. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

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FROM OUR DESSERT RECIPES

Rainbow Sundae Buffet. Scoops of ice cream in gay colors and assorted flavors fill a crisp baked Meringue Shell. Drizzle the ice-cream balls with Crimson Raspberry Sauce and/or Regal Chocolate Sauce. Dramatic to top off a guest supper or for late refreshments.

Golden Layer Cake. This beauty will make a birthday happy—or can just sing out, "It's spring!" Between the velvety cake layers is a fresh Lemon Filling; the Seven-minute Frosting billows over top and sides, a sweet contrast to the sprinkling of Lemon Coconut.

Berry Parfaits. Red ribbons of fruit (use strawberries now, raspberries in season) alternate with pastel bands of Easy Vanilla Filling made from packaged pudding.

Cream Puffs. Here the cook shows off, earns all the compliments with cream puffs made from scratch. Filling is French Custard.

Chocolate Chiffon Pie. A man's choice. The filling is luscious, light as a cloud. Give this make-ahead dessert a border of walnut halves and a topknot of whipped cream.

Rich Strawberry Shortcake—our big biscuit style; for individuals, see recipe section.

2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
2 tablespoons sugar
3 teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
½ cup butter or margarine
1 beaten egg
⅔ cup light cream

Sift together dry ingredients; cut in butter till mixture is like coarse crumbs. Combine egg and cream; add all at once to dry ingredients, stirring only to moisten. Spread dough in greased 8¼x1¾-inch round baking dish, slightly building up dough around edges. (To match picture, double recipe and use two 8-inch square pans.) Bake at 450° 15 to 18 minutes or till golden. Remove from pan to cooling rack; cool about 3 minutes. With serrated knife, split in 2 layers, lifting top off carefully. Butter bottom layer. Fill and top generously with sugared sliced strawberries and whipped cream. Serve while warm. Cut in 6 servings.

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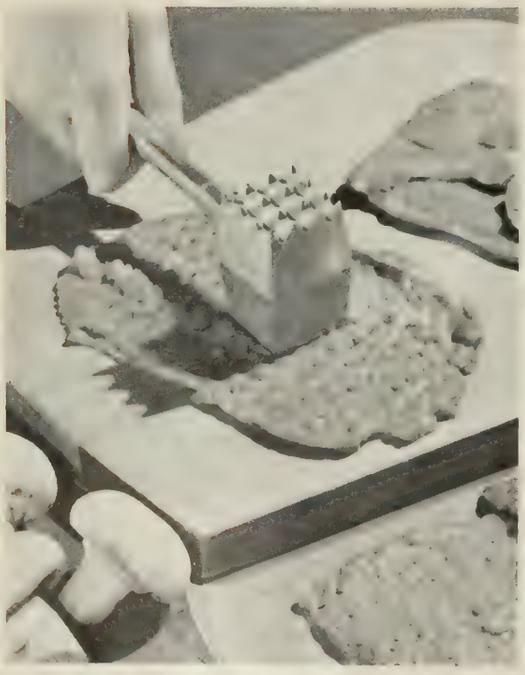
Allen Snook





An Italian specialty—

Veal Scaloppine



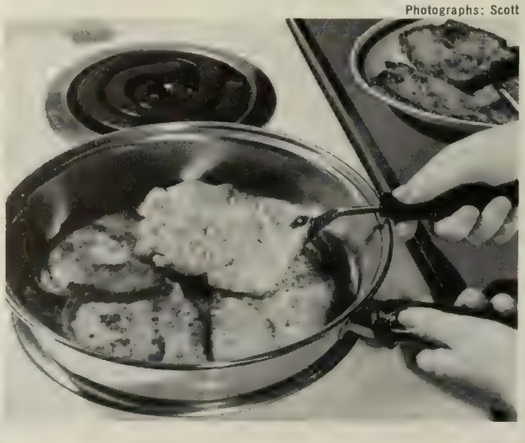
Take a tip from the kitchens of Italy on making this world-famous dish. Ingredients are simple—veal and mushrooms in a zesty sauce—but you'll agree the flavor's superbo!

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To make scaloppine, Italian cooks pound veal slices to paper thinness. Americans can start with ¼ inch slices of veal round pounded to ⅛ inch. Use a meat pounder or ask your meatman to do it for you.

First you cook sliced mushrooms in olive oil, then use the same skillet for frying the veal.

Photographs: Scott



Because the meat is extremely thin, it cooks quickly, so be sure to stand by to turn the pieces at just the right moment. Only a minute or so in hot oil on each side and the scaloppine (means thin slices) are done.

To give a Continental savor to the sauce, cooking sauterne is stirred in at the last minute.

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Taste-tested Recipes

Meat, Main Dishes, Egg

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Asparagus Ham Bake
Curried Ham Rolls
Ham Loaf
Mushrooms Romanoff
Potatocakes
Hurry Tuna Skillet
Kids' Soup-wich Lunch
Ham Lattice Sandwiches
Scrambled Eggs
Chicken Kiev

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Raspberry Sauce
Regal Chocolate Sauce
Golden Layer Cake
Lemon Filling
7-Minute Frosting
Lemon Coconut
Berry Parfaits
Easy Vanilla Filling
Cream Puffs
French Custard Filling
Chocolate Chiffon Pie
Strawberry Shortcake
Fruit Cocktail Dessert

Salads, Dressings

Frozen Cocktail Slices
Avocado Fruit Squares
Pink Arctic Freeze
Frosty Mint Cubes
Orange-Pecan Molds
Swedish Pickled Shrimp
Tomato Aspic
Perfection Salad
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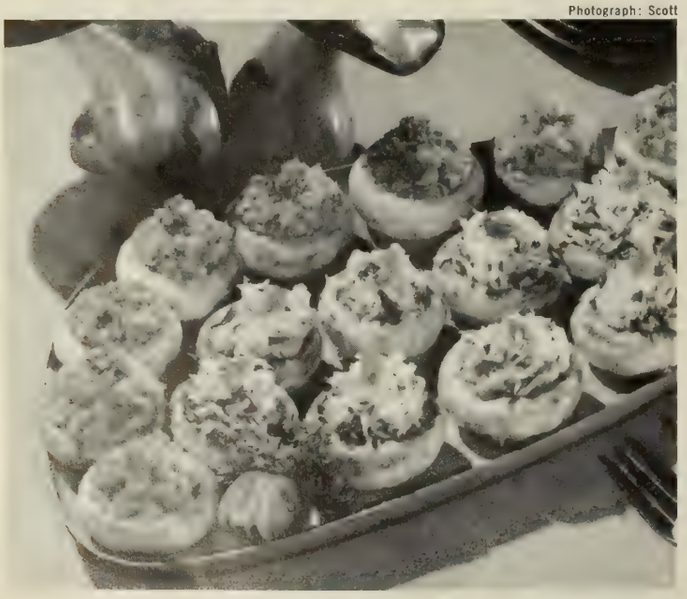
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Marvelous Mushrooms

Dozens of mushroom recipes were put through their paces in our Test Kitchen—these were tops.

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Broiled Stuffed Mushrooms are a unique hot appetizer that guests will relish. Top the tasty crab or deviled ham filling with pert trims—you can vary garnishes with sliced stuffed green olives, pickled onions, crunchy nut bits. Offer forks and plates.

Count on mushrooms to give a flavor lift to many kinds of dishes. Use either handy canned mushrooms or fresh ones. For fresh mushrooms, washing is enough; no need to soak or peel. Cut off tips of stems. Now mushrooms are ready to use—leave whole or slice. Canned mushrooms are available from buttons to crowns, also slices, stems and pieces, and chopped. All come in several convenient can sizes.

Broiled Stuffed Mushrooms

Broil after guests arrive, so these appetizers are sizzling. Choose flavorful deviled ham or crab stuffing—

Wash 12 large fresh mushrooms; trim off tips of stems. (Or drain large canned crowns.) Remove caps*; finely chop stems. Fill caps with Deviled Ham Stuffing *or* Crab Stuffing. Broil 6 inches from heat about 10 minutes. Trim each with bit of pimiento or sprig of parsley. Serve hot (forks are called for here).

Deviled Ham Stuffing: Cook chopped mushroom stems and 1 teaspoon minced onion in 1 teaspoon butter or margarine till tender but not brown. Mix one 2¼-ounce can deviled ham, 1 teaspoon prepared mustard, and ¼ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce. Ad to chopped stems. Stir in ½ cu soft bread crumbs. Stuff caps broil as above.

Crab Stuffing: Separate bon bits from ½ cup drained canne crab meat; snip meat in fine piece Cook chopped mushroom stems i 1 tablespoon butter or margarin till tender but not brown. Ad crab, ¼ cup finely chopped celery 2 tablespoons mayonnaise or sala dressing, 1 teaspoon lemon juice and dash salt. Stuff caps; mix tablespoons fine dry bread crumb with 1 teaspoon melted butter o margarine. Sprinkle over tops broil as above.

*If fresh mushrooms are extr large, pour boiling water ove caps; let stand 1 minute; drain.

resh Mushroom Saute

o simple, yet a most delicious way for ushrooms. Flour makes tender brown ating—

1 pint (about ½ pound) mushrooms
3 tablespoons butter or margarine
2 teaspoons all-purpose flour
Salt and pepper

lice mushrooms through cap and em. Melt butter in skillet; add ushrooms; sprinkle with flour, nd mix. Cover and cook over low eat till tender, about 8 to 10 min-tes, turning occasionally. Season taste with salt and pepper. Makes 4 servings as broiled-steak companiment or 2 servings as egetable.

Better Homes & Gardens Test-itchen note: For lighter brown ushrooms, omit flour. Cook in 2 ablespoons butter; season.

reamed Mushrooms

erfectly splendid for broiled steak. ice looks grand, and tastes the same—

1 pint (about ½ pound) mushrooms
3 tablespoons butter or margarine
1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon soy sauce
¾ cup light cream
Salt and pepper to taste

ice mushrooms through cap and em. Melt butter in skillet; add ushrooms. Sprinkle flour over ushrooms; toss to coat. Cook, irring occasionally, over medium at about 8 to 10 minutes or till nder and lightly browned. Add y sauce; slowly stir in cream. ook and stir till mixture bubbles and thickens. Season. Serve with broiled steak or spoon over hot toast points. Makes 4 servings.

Better Homes & Gardens Test-Kitchen note: You can use one 6-ounce can (1⅓ cups) broiled sliced mushrooms. Melt 2 tablespoons butter or margarine; add drained mushrooms; sprinkle with flour; cook about 3 minutes. Add soy sauce and continue as above.

Mushrooms Romanoff

Luscious—dill seed gives the flavor plus. Ready to serve in a jiffy—

1 pint (about ½ pound) mushrooms
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
1 cup dairy sour cream
1 teaspoon dill seed
¼ teaspoon salt
Dash freshly ground pepper
Dash nutmeg
Hot toast points

Slice larger mushrooms through cap and stem. Melt butter in skillet; add mushrooms, and cover. Cook, stirring occasionally, over medium heat about 8 minutes or till lightly browned. Stir in sour cream and seasonings. Reduce heat; cook and stir over low heat just till heated through. Dash with paprika. Serve over toast points. Makes 3 or 4 servings.

Better Homes & Gardens Test-Kitchen note: You can use one 6-ounce can (1⅓ cups) broiled sliced mushrooms. Melt butter or margarine; add drained mushrooms; cook about 3 minutes. Stir in sour cream and seasonings; continue as above.

Spinach with Mushrooms

½ clove garlic, minced
½ cup sliced mushrooms*
1 tablespoon butter or margarine
2 pounds spinach, chopped*
1 teaspoon lemon juice

Cook garlic and mushrooms in butter 2 or 3 minutes or till mushrooms are partially tender. Add spinach. Cover. Reduce heat when steam forms; cook 3 to 10 minutes. Add lemon juice. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Makes 4 servings.

*Or, drain 8-ounce can sliced mushrooms; heat in garlic butter. Cook one 10-ounce package frozen leaf spinach; drain; add mushroom sauce, lemon juice. Season.



Mushrooms Romanoff is especially delicious for luncheon, spooned over hot toast points. Or pair with tiny meat balls for an ever-so-quick company dinner. The sauce is smooth and tangy with sour cream. Chafing dish lets you serve in style. You can fix Romanoff with canned or fresh mushrooms—dandy either way.

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1—Cook over hot water until tender (45 min.) ½ cup rice in 2 cups milk, ¼ tsp. salt. Last half hour stir in ½ cup raisins. **2**—Next stir in 2 cups of milk, 2 slightly beaten egg yolks, ½ cup sugar, ¼ tsp. cinnamon, 1 tsp. vanilla. Cook for five minutes, stirring occasionally. **3**—Now carefully fold in 2 stiffly beaten egg whites. **4**—Pour into casserole and bake for 30 minutes at 350°F. (preheated). Serve cold—gives it a richer taste.



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Perfect Scrambled Eggs—
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Combine 6 eggs, ⅓ cup milk or light cream, ½ to ¾ t spoon salt, and dash pepper. (Mix slightly for gold-an white effect; mix thoroughly for allover yellow.) Heat 1 tablespoons butter, margarine, or bacon fat in skillet t just hot enough to make a drop of water sizzle. Pour in e mixture. Reduce heat—important for tender eggs.

Don't disturb mixture till it starts to set on bottom a sides, then lift and fold over with wide spatula or panca turner so uncooked part goes to bottom. Avoid breaking eggs any more than necessary.

Cook till eggs are just set, about 5 to 8 minutes. L skillet away from heat *just before* all the moist part is cooke Don't let eggs stand in skillet—hot pan continues to co them. Serve at once on warm platter. Makes 3 to 4 servin

Double-boiler scramble: If you prefer, omit butt and cook eggs in top of double boiler, using spoon to st Water in bottom pan should only simmer and not touch t pan. Takes about twice the time as in skillet.

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1 package active dry yeast
¼ cup *warm* water
1 cup seedless raisins, dark or light
¼ cup soft butter or margarine
¼ cup sugar
1½ teaspoons salt
½ cup buttermilk or milk, scalded
• • •
3¾ cups sifted enriched flour
2 beaten eggs

Soften yeast in *warm* water. Combine raisins, butter, sugar, salt, and hot milk; stir to dissolve sugar. Cool to lukewarm. Stir in 1½ *cups* of the flour; beat well. Add yeast and eggs; mix well. Add enough of remaining flour to make a moderately soft dough. Turn out on lightly floured surface. Knead till dough is smooth and elastic (10 to 12 minutes). Place in a lightly greased bowl, turning once to grease surface. Cover; let double (1½ to 2 hours) in warm place. Punch down; divide dough in half, rounding each in ball. Cover and let rest 10 minutes. Shape in loaves. Place in 2 greased 7½x3½x2¼-inch loaf pans. Cover; let almost double (45 to 60 minutes). Bake in moderate oven (375°) about 25 minutes; place foil over top last 10 minutes, if necessary. Remove bread from pans; cool. Combine 1 cup sifted confectioners' sugar and about 1½ tablespoons milk; use to glaze loaves.



No need to plump raisins. You add the hot milk, and raisins puff as sugar dissolves, butter melts.



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- ½ tsp. soda
- ½ tsp. salt
- ½ cup soft butter or shortening
- 6 tbsp. granulated sugar
- 6 tbsp. brown sugar
- ½ tsp. vanilla
- ¼ tsp. water
- 1 egg
- 1 cup Quaker or Mother's Oats, uncooked
- 1 six-oz. pkg. (1 cup) Nestlé's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Morsels

Heat oven to moderate (375°F.). Sift together flour, soda and salt; set aside. Blend butter, sugars, vanilla and water. Beat in egg. Add flour mixture; mix well. Stir in oats and chocolate morsels. Drop by rounded half-teaspoonfuls on greased cookie sheets. Bake in preheated oven (375°F.) 10 to 12 minutes.

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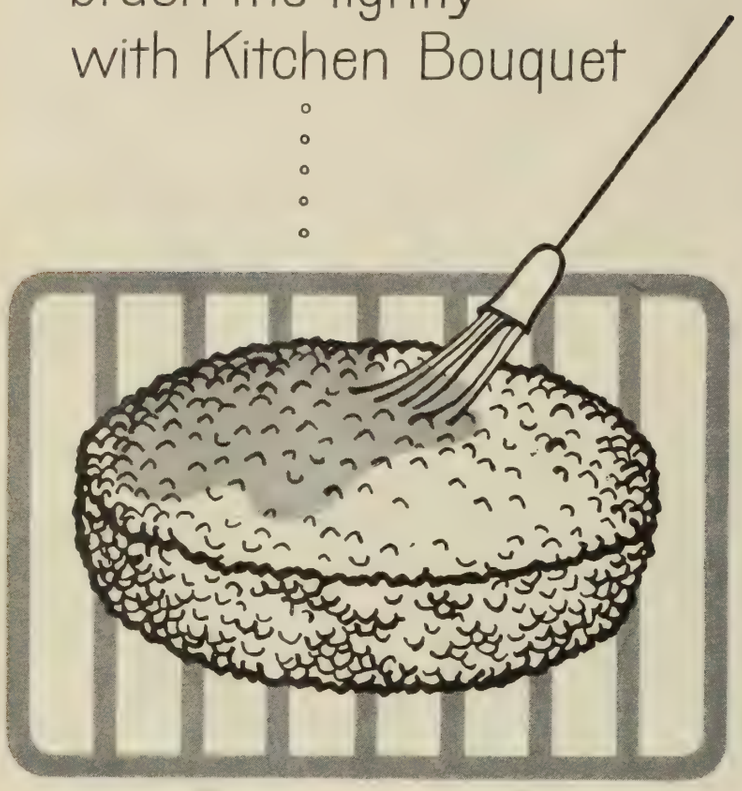


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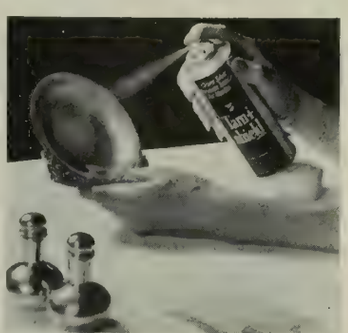
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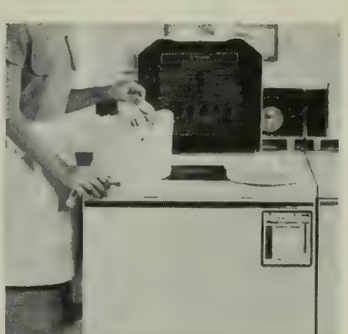
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Kids' Soup-wich Lunch: Blend 3 tablespoons peanut butter and small amount of 1 can condensed tomato soup. Stir in rest of soup and 1 soup-can milk. Heat and stir just to boiling. Float chopped peanuts atop. Serve with Ham Lattice Sandwiches: Spread toast with deviled ham; top with lattice of cheese strips. Broil till cheese starts to melt.

Olive Green Beans: Melt 2 tablespoons butter or margarine in saucepan. Drain a 1-pound can (2 cups) whole green beans, and add to butter; heat. Season to taste; dash with nutmeg. Add ⅓ cup sliced ripe olives. Four servings.

Fruit Cocktail Dessert: Prepare 1 package instant vanilla pudding as package directs, using 2½ *cups milk* and adding ½ teaspoon vanilla. Chill 10 minutes or till like custard sauce. (If mixture becomes too firm, beat smooth with rotary beater.) Pile drained canned fruit cocktail in dessert dishes; spoon on pudding. Trim with vanilla wafers.

Hurry Tuna Skillet: Cook macaroni from a 7½-ounce package macaroni-and-cheese dinner according to package directions; drain. In skillet, toss macaroni with cheese (included in package) and 3 tablespoons butter or margarine. Add one 8-ounce can tomatoes, one 6-ounce can evaporated milk, 1 can tuna, 2 tablespoons instant minced onion, 2 teaspoons parsley flakes. Season to taste. Simmer uncovered 5 minutes, stirring now and then. Five servings.



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How to take a small child shopping

By Marjorie Holmes

Many a mother of a preschooler feels that if she can't afford a sitter while she's shopping, she might as well stay home. I have found that it's not only possible to go shopping with a small child, it can actually be fun for both of you. There's something about a youngster which makes clerks and other customers helpful and friendly. And the companionship of a son or daughter reacting to the great big wonderful world of stores can prove a delight instead of a chore.

I don't advise trying it with more than one child at a time. But the following suggestions should work beautifully with one!

Prepare him for the trip. Explain where you're going and why, and that he can go along if he promises to be a good boy and not to tease for things.

Prepare yourself to be patient. Schedule the trip when you're not pressed for time and can make allowances for trips to the lavatory, drinks of water, and just plain window-marveling. Don't plan to stay too long, or do too many things at this time.

Don't walk too fast or yank him along. Remember, little legs get tired.

Don't ignore his presence in preoccupation with your mission. Visit with him, draw him into the experience of buying shirts for Daddy or a lamp for the living room. Point out things as you go along, and pay attention to the things he points out to you.

When he's beginning to weary, pause for a treat and a toy. A soda will perk him up, and something to cuddle and carry will keep him happy for the next stint.

Don't scold if he sits on the floor. Clerks don't mind. And if there's no place else, why not? It really won't hurt him.

Don't take out on him your own frustrations or growing exhaustion. Your behavior is the cue to his. If you are good-humored and gay, the youngster is far more likely to be.

Don't punish if he wants to touch and examine things. He sees you doing exactly that, doesn't he?

Have your purchases delivered, if possible. Carrying large packages will tire you and will make it more difficult to shepherd the youngster through aisles, on and off elevators, across streets.

Understand that your child may be frightened by elevator or escalator trips, if this is his first experience with these devices. Hold him close to you and reassure him that it's a wonderful "new" ride.

Praise him as you proceed. "My, aren't you being a good boy. It's a pleasure to have you along. We'll have to do this again." Youngsters bask in the glow of adult approval, and strive to live up to it.

Above all else, however, keep an eye on him. A child who gets lost in a crowd can suffer emotional damage for life, plus possible physical danger from revolving doors and escalators. If the child is very young or very frisky, a harness is a wise and really merciful aid. It gives him a sense of security, and you peace of mind.



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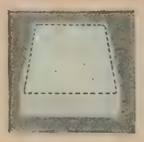


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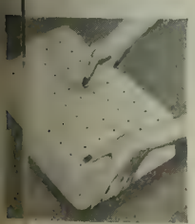
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Use zinc chromate primer on bare iron and steel, but never over rust. Brush it on evenly but heavily. Avoid touching the bare metal and wash off the surface with turpentine before applying the primer.

Do not let zinc chromate-primed pieces sit out in the weather. Although it is the best primer for iron and steel, it is not durable enough to hold up long without a good enamel top coat to repel moisture.

Let zinc chromate dry overnight before top-coating, even if it seems dry sooner.

Sand the primer to make a smooth base for the top coat of enamel. Be careful not to sand the primer through at any point. Use number 320 wet or dry sandpaper.

When finishing large areas, such as auto touch-ups, use water with the sandpaper to keep it from clogging. Also, sand an area around the primer to help the enamel coat stick when you spray it on.

When spot-finishing surfaces that have been waxed, be sure to remove wax around the area with turpentine. *Sanding won't do it.*

At corners, on edges, and other spots where wear will be heavy, double up the coverage by lapping over the edges with your brush as you go. However, don't let the primer sag into a "fat edge," which is not durable.

Most vulnerable places are points of fabrication, where rust is most likely to start. Make sure coverage is good at joints.

The finish wears off the bumps and rough places of welds faster than elsewhere, so on pieces of welded construction, use a file or disk sander to smooth the welds.

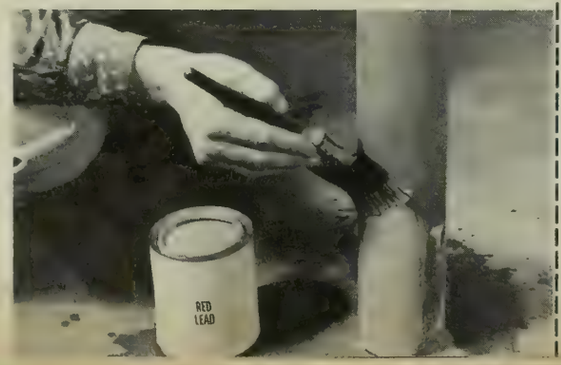
Red lead primer with the proper base (labeled "moisture displacing") can be used in extremely damp situations. You can apply this primer over metal that has been simply wiped off with a cloth. Always prime dry when possible, but don't let water stop you.

This type of primer also has excellent rust penetrating qualities, so it's the perfect one for general maintenance of outdoor equipment. This primer comes in many colors, so choose one which is near to the color of the final top coat you intend to use.









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Metal refinishing . . . the right way

THE MOST SKILLED handyman is often a dismal flop when it comes to metal refinishing. Usually, the mistake is made at the start when not enough importance is given to careful application of metal primers.

Metal primers do two things that no other coating can do. They are made to form a surface on metal for other paint, and they set up a chemical barrier against rust and corrosion. Metal rusts when exposed to moisture, air—and other rust. As rust forms, it creates an acid which speeds up the rusting process.

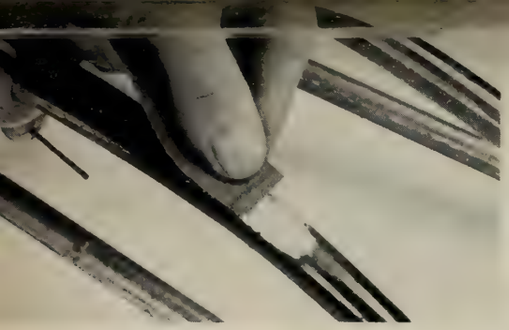
Primers lie in wait. When rust starts, they stop it by destroying the acid as it forms. Team up a primer with a good top coat to seal out air and moisture.

Here's a quick guide for metal refinishing

Metal	Type of finish	Preparation	Primer	Finish coat
Iron and Steel	Ultra smooth—autos, bikes, appliances.	Sand away rust, feather edges of paint.	Zinc chromate, two or three coats. Sand.	Spray or brush enamel.
	Utility—outdoor furniture and equipment.	Remove old paint with a remover, wire brush or torch.	Zinc chromate, two or more coats—thickness counts.	Glossy enamel, trim and shutter paint, exterior rubber base paint, house paint or other finish.
	Rough—badly rusted.	Scrape and wire-brush.	Red lead "long oil" primer.	
	Galvanized iron.	Wash with detergent, or let weather.	Zinc dust—zinc oxide primer.	
Aluminum and Copper	Utility finish.	Sand away any corrosion and wash clean.	Zinc chromate, two coats.	Same as above.
	Clear finish.	Clean with weak acid and rinse with water. Don't sand.	None.	Spar varnish (copper). Acrylic or butyrate lacquer (aluminum).

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The kind of finish you get depends on preparation you give the surface

For critical work—and all work when feasible—clean away the rust right down to bare metal, readying it for zinc chromate.

Feather the edges of the original paint so they won't show under the new finish when it is applied. Use a disk sander in your electric drill, with open coat disks, to clean large areas.

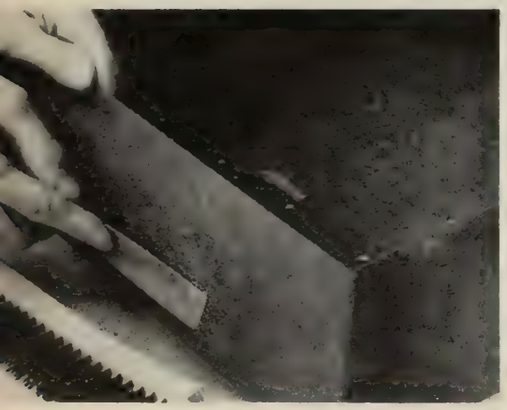
When you do power sanding, you should still feather the edges of the paint by hand, using fine sandpaper. Aluminum oxide or garnet sandpaper works best, lasts longest.



Refinishing outdoor furniture is a job quite similar to refinishing wood furniture. Take off the old paint with paint remover, then sand away rust by hand or with a sander.

A propane torch takes paint off in a hurry. Use a flame spreader attachment and scrape off the burned paint as you go.

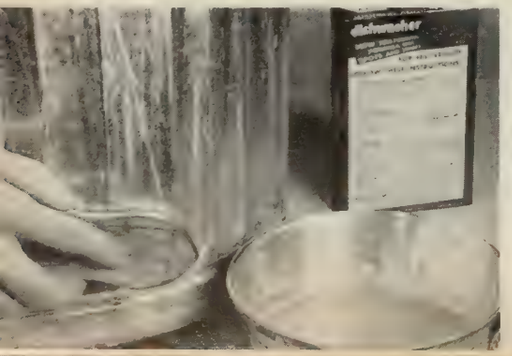
A wire cup brush in an electric drill is a fast way to spot clean ornamental ironwork which is hard to clean otherwise. With practice, you can remove rust and feather the edges of the old paint all in the same operation.



On badly rusted, rough pieces of equipment that you finish only to preserve, scrape off loose rust with a putty knife and wire brush.

Use a primer of the "long oil" type. It is the penetrating quality of the oil vehicle (tung, linseed, or fish oil) that lets you use it over rust that can't be cleaned away.

This type of primer is slow drying, so allow at least 36 hours before top coating. You can even leave this kind exposed to weather for several weeks, without harm to the work, before applying the finish paint.



Galvanized metal needs only a good scrubbing with detergent and water as preparation for primer. Do this even though the surface looks clean, because the oils used in the galvanizing process will still be present.

You need not etch galvanized metal with acid or vinegar as is popularly believed. Tests made by paint manufacturers show that this does more harm than good.

Prime with zinc dust-zinc oxide primer, metallic zinc paint or one of the special primers made just for galvanized metal.

The right kind of top coat finishes the job

An extra-smooth top coating is easy to get with spray-can enamels. They come in such a wide range of colors that you can match almost any existing paint.

You can make a sprayed-on spot refinish even smoother by rubbing with auto rubbing compound, as professionals do.

When the paint is thoroughly dry, make a pad of soft cloth, dip it in the compound, and begin rubbing out the spot job. Work from the outside toward the center, rubbing the edges of the spot until they blend in.



Any kind of good-quality exterior glossy enamel makes a good top coat. Enamel seals out moisture better than any other paint.

Trim and shutter paint is much like enamel in its formulation. Substitute this kind for enamel on large areas where the cost of the enamel would be prohibitive.

Exterior rubber-based paint and regular house paint can also be used on places not subjected to much wear. This type of finish must be repainted sooner as it won't last as long as enamel or trim and shutter paint.



Finishing a properly primed metal surface is just like finishing any other material. The kind of paint you use depends on the amount of wear the article will get.

Wrought-iron black is a type of enamel especially designed to stand up under the hard usage wrought iron items get.

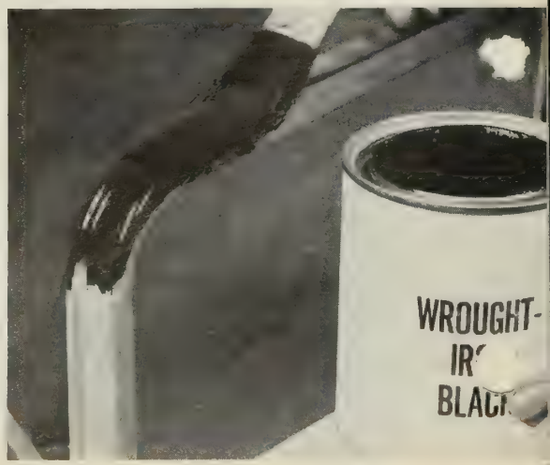
No matter what type of enamel you use for a finish coat, be sure to let it dry thoroughly between coats. If the paint has a glossy finish, sand lightly between coats to assure a good bond and smooth surface.

For downspouts and gutters

Gutters and downspouts are finished the same as any other galvanized metal unless they are rusted—then you treat them like any other rusted iron and prime with a long oil red lead primer to penetrate the rust.

To make gutters really last, give them a heavy coat of asphalt base paint inside. This paint will stop minor leaks, too.

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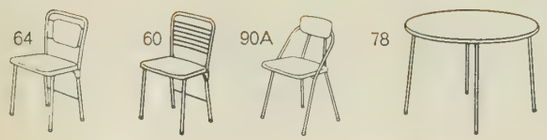
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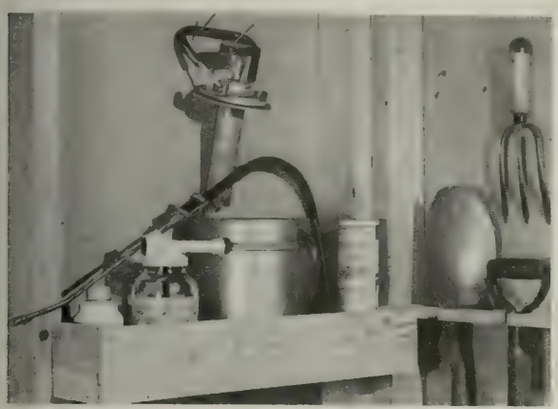
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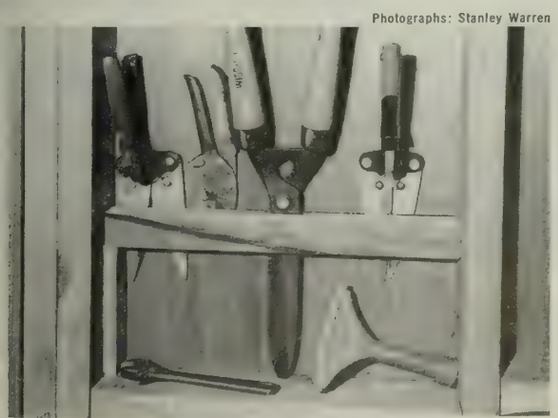


Unused corners are good for shelves that extend beyond the wall studs. Add sides, as shown here, to hold glass bottles, sprayers, and dusters. Hang parts for the sprayer on nails or hooks above shelf. Note notched block, at right, for long-handled tools.



Nail scrap-wood brackets to wall studs for storing plant stakes; be sure they're high enough so you won't knock stakes off accidentally. Small tools can be hung between nails driven into the wall, or through holes drilled in the tool handles themselves.

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Here, a scrap 2x2-inch board was nailed between wall studs with sufficient space left between it and the wall to insert hedge, grass, and pruning shears. The 2x4-inch shelf beneath is for storage of small items such as the sprinkler head and wrench, shown here.



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How late can we safely prune deciduous fruit and nut trees in our area? ***M.J., Provo, Utah***

In the Inter-mountain areas and other spots at high elevations, pruning can still be done early this month. Spring-flowering shrubs, trees, and vines should be pruned as soon as they finish blooming. It's too late to do a real pruning job on these items in milder sections of the West, because most of them have already budded out.

For more than 15 years, we've been ardent rhododendron collectors in our Puget Sound garden. Now my husband is being transferred to the inland California city of Fresno. What chance will we have with rhododendrons and azaleas in the hot, dry summers?

Mrs. H.N.A., Mt. Vernon, Washington

In the past 10 years, great advances have been made in the culture of rhododendrons and azaleas in these hot, dry areas. No longer do you have to experiment—they *really* can be grown nicely. The secret is to plant them in raised beds of pure, coarse humus, such as redwood soil conditioner, or fir bark. Partial shade is a must. While such items as water, humidity, food, and shade may vary from one neighborhood to another, the main thing is not to fight the existing alkaline soils in the area, but to go to raised beds to provide cool, moist root-zone conditions. Raised beds solve drainage problems very simply.

Wherever possible, install a set of fog nozzles about 8-10 feet apart. Turn them on all day during hot weather periods. The foglike mist raises the humidity, although it does not substitute for regular watering. The Hayes Experimental Gardens in Arcadia experience summertime heat spells of 115 to 118 degrees for several days in a row, yet Stan Hayes has consistently grown fine rhododendrons.

We'd appreciate your suggestions on pruning tropical hibiscus. ***H.E.C., Riverside, California***

In most parts of California and the Southwest, hibiscus can be pruned safely in April. Unless they are trimmed annually, they get tall and leggy. Pruning authorities suggest they be treated like roses—regular pruning each April, followed up with generous feeding. Incidentally, in many cold winter spots, tropical hibiscus can be handled as annuals. You can ship in the plants from Southern California specialists, enjoy the blooms this summer, then start over with new plants next spring.

When, what kind, and how much fertilizer should I use on my Meyer lemon which is now close to 6 feet high?

D.H., San Jose, California

Fertilize in April, then again in July, with a good complete liquid fertilizer. Instructions as to proportions will be on the container. A mulch, about 2 inches thick, of aged steer manure also helps. Citrus are known as "hogs" when it comes to feeding.

I'm eager to succeed with tuberous begonias this yea Past results have not been as rewarding as I think the could be. How are these best grown?

Mrs. A.M.R., Eugene, Orego

The biggest handicap to good begonia growth is improp soil. A little peat moss scratched into the earth is just abou as bad as none at all. For best results, work in humus of coarser nature (aged sawdust, shredded bark, leaf mold, sifted compost) to create a soft, loose, porous planting mi And, if it's impossible to fix up an entire bed, then gro your begonias in 9-inch fern pots, sinking them in th ground with coarse drainage under them. When you set ou started begonias, remember that the flowers will alwa face the way the leaves point.

Our camellias normally finish blooming in April. Any sug gestions on what we should do to encourage better growt and blooms next year? ***L.H.B., Crescent City, Californi***

The most important thing is to feed them right after th last blooms fade. There are good liquid camellia foods o the market which go to work fast, yet safely. Feed lightl once a month from now until September, rather than two o three heavy doses during the whole season. Do a prunin job, too—thinning out old woody branches after flowerin

I'm afraid our violets have been in the same spot too lon —mostly leaves, few flowers. When is the best time to di vide them? ***H.B., Mesa, Arizon***

From now until the end of May is a good time to divid violet clumps and still be sure the bloom crop won't be in terrupted next season. Actually, it's good to divide then every two or three years. Unless you want to save some o the runners to make other plants, trim them off. Remov some of the old leaves on each of the divisions to encourag new growth. If it isn't possible to move them to a new, par tially shaded bed with new soil, then be sure to thoroughl rework the soil in the existing bed, adding humus.

When is the best time to divide bamboo?

T.L.A., Ventura, Californi

Usually the best time to divide clumps is just before th new seasonal growth starts. Prune back some of the talles canes to make it easier to handle the clumps. Be careful no to leave any jagged stubs that will decay and threaten th life of the plant.

What causes the leaves of my split-leaf philodendrons t turn brown and dry on the edges?

Mrs. N.B.W., Idaho Falls, Idaho

There are several possible causes: if the plant has beer in the same pot and in the same earth for more than two seasons, chances are there's an accumulation of salts in the potting medium. The remedy is to repot in fresh soil o one of the packaged soil mixes. It's O.K. to do this now Overwatering, as well as underwatering, can cause brown leaves. Also, mites could be sucking out the vital plant juices. Use one of the indoor plant aerosol bombs.

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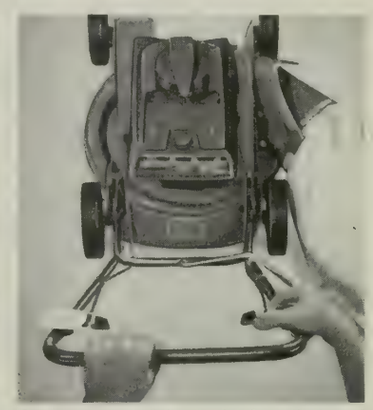
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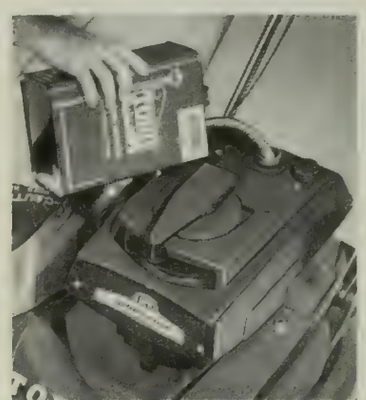
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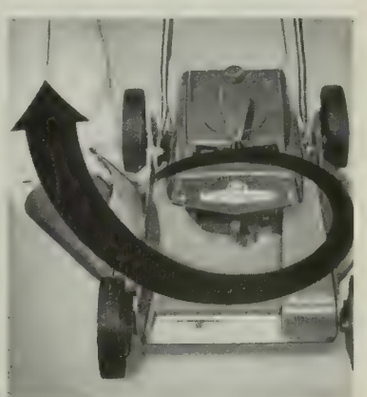
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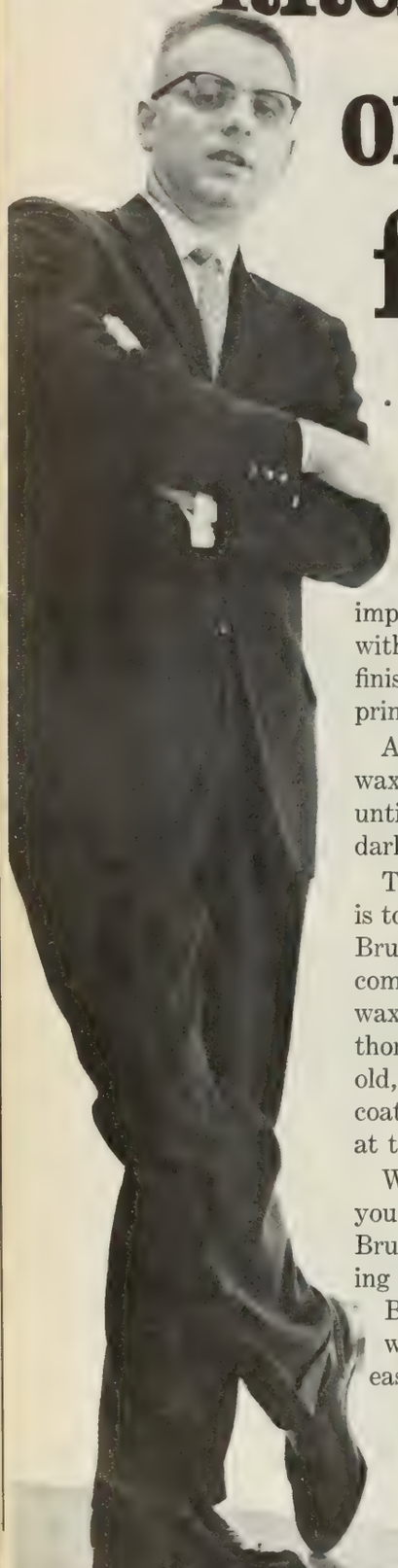
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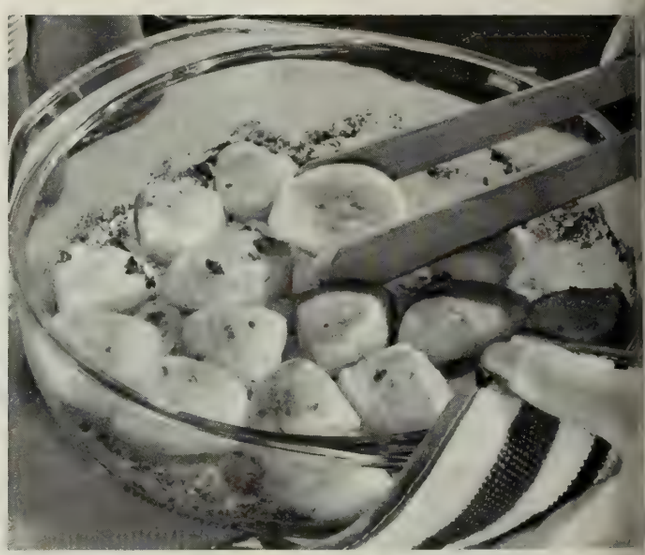


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Cranbutter Sauce: Heat one 1-pound can whole cranb sauce with ¼ cup brown sugar and ¼ cup butter or garine till sugar dissolves, stirring occasionally. Rem from heat and add ½ teaspoon vanilla; serve warm.



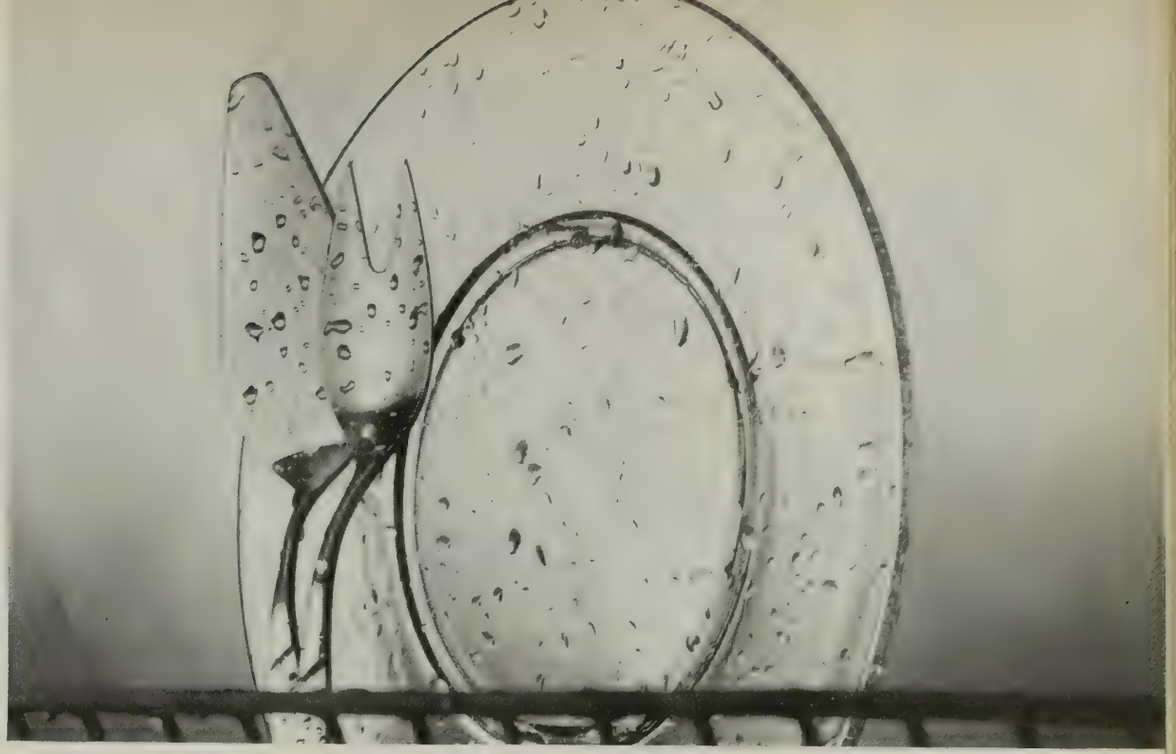
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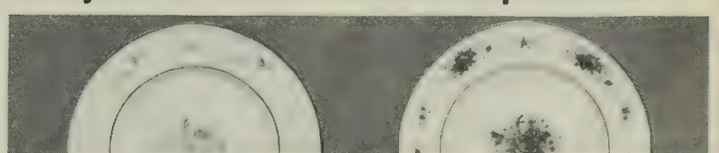
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Green is wha you make it

By Donald Wyman

When you're planning an all-green border, be sure to co sider the many variations in hues—just like selecti color in flowers. Use the greens as your basic color, th expand into the grays or gray-greens—they're the easie to find. But don't stop there; also consider other plar with yellow-green, red-green, or silvery foliage whic when used in moderation, will set off an entire plantin

Common lavender, for instance, is a very useful l shrub for the border. If the aromatic, gray foliage is clipp occasionally to encourage dense growth, it can also be s in the foundation planting, in the rockery, or used as small edging along a garden path.

The thorny elaeagnus (*Elaeagnus pungens 'fruitlandi* is a 10- to 15-foot evergreen, especially suited for plantin in full sun. It will even do well under semiarid condition Undersides of the leaves are silvery and glitter like fro when the wind rustles them. Fragrant white flowers appe in October followed by small fruits which turn red as th mature in the spring.

Another desirable gray-green-leaved plant is the bu cinquefoil (*Potentilla fruticosa*) and its many varietie Since they usually grow to less than four feet high a wide, they are best used in front of taller shrubs. N serious pests bother them, so they require little care. Ti blooms, varying from white to dark yellow, appear co tinuously through the summer.

For red-green effect, there are many Japanese mapl from which to choose. *Acer palmatum 'atropurpureu* stays reddish all summer. Others produce red leaves spring, turning red-green in summer, back to red in fall.

If you have poor soil conditions, plant the red-leav Japanese barberry. It is a dense shrub which can be ke almost any size under seven feet by pruning. Leaves are brilliant red at first, turning to a red-green later. A dwa variety, sold variously as Crimson Pygmy, Little Gem, Little Beauty, grows only two feet high in eight yea time, and produces a mass of reddish-green foliage.

Shrubs which don't need much water are great assets many West Coast gardens. Mexican orange (*Choisya te nata*) grows six to eight feet tall and has yellowish-gre foliage. Fragrant white flowers appear in clusters, near three inches wide, from late winter to mid-April. Glos aromatic foliage remains on the plant throughout the yea

West Coast gardeners can supplement these plants b choosing many succulents that will add a great variety color. Perennials and some of the grasses, such as *Festu ovina 'glauca,'* can be used to good advantage where lo growing plants are needed. Just a few of these, togeth with one or two of the shrubs, will go a long way to mal any garden more beautiful and interesting.



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Turkey returns; cranberry desserts

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Hints to help you

Turkey returns. We'd like you to tell us all the exciting things you do with leftover turkey or chicken. Do you concoct a new and different casserole, creamed dish, or sandwich with the last of that holiday bird? Bet you have your own version of "a la king." Use mixes, packaged foods? Ideas:

turkey Tetrazzini — *turkey pot pie*
broiled turkey sandwiches — *turkey Waldorf*
chicken curry — *chicken-chip salad*
turkey hash

Cranberry desserts end a meal in a festive way. Is your family's favorite made with fresh cranberries, or the canned cranberry sauce (either whole-berry or jellied)? And don't forget to mention what you do with cranberry-juice cocktail, too. Your dessert could be a "time-taker" or a quickie. Helps:

cranberry sherbet — *cranberry fluff*
upside-down cake — *glazed cheesecake*
cranberry-mince tarts — *jiffy cranberry parfaits*

Contest rules

1. Write your recipe clearly on one side of the paper and mark it "November Turkey Returns" or "November Cranberry Desserts." If you wish, send a recipe for each of the two categories.
2. Print your full name and address in upper right corner of paper.
3. Give measurements in *level* cups, tablespoons, teaspoons.
4. Specify brand names of the *nationally* know food products you use as ingredients so we can test your recipe with the same brands.
5. Include 50 to 100 words about the origin of the recipe you submit.
6. Recipes submitted become property of *Better Homes & Gardens*.
7. Entries must be postmarked by midnight, April 30. In cases where duplicate recipes are submitted, the one with the earliest postmark will be judged. All judges' decisions will be final.
8. We reserve the right to adjust and edit winning recipes.
9. Address the recipes you enter to 5504 Test Kitchen, *Better Homes & Gardens*, Des Moines 3, Iowa.

THIS MONTH'S WINNERS

(*See recipes on pages 85 and 86*)

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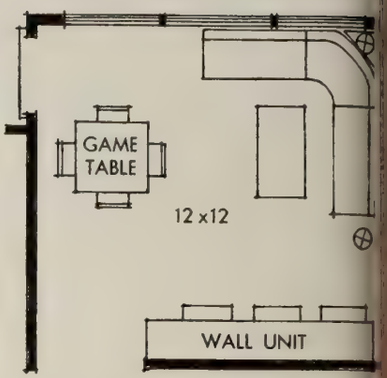
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This room just looks big

Space-making principles applied to very small rooms can make them look much larger than they really are. For instance, you might solve your space problem by using light colors, mirrors, or furniture that hangs on the wall and gives you more floor space. Here's how these principles were put to use in this small living room-family room.



The major furniture pieces are larg and multipurpose, to keep the roo uncluttered. Notice how the furnitu is arranged close to the walls to fre as much floor area as possible.

A large expanse of carpeting help create the illusion of spaciousness.



Light colors seem to recede, givin a small room a spacious look. Fo that reason, the same pale color wa used here for the walls, draperie and floor.

A sectional sofa substitutes fo a grouping of chairs which woul have made the room look clutterec A corner lamp table behind the sof makes use of wasted space.

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Here, wall-hung furniture puts large wall area to work, from th floor to the ceiling. The long canti levered cabinet unit holds radio an stereo equipment, a record collec tion, and games.

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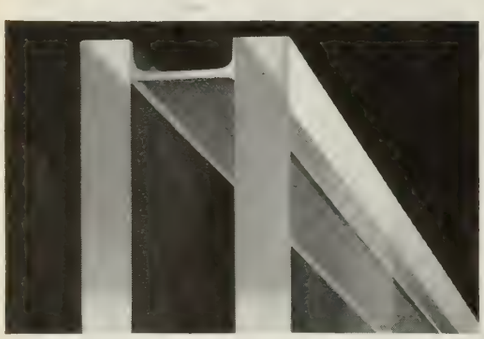
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LANDSCAPING

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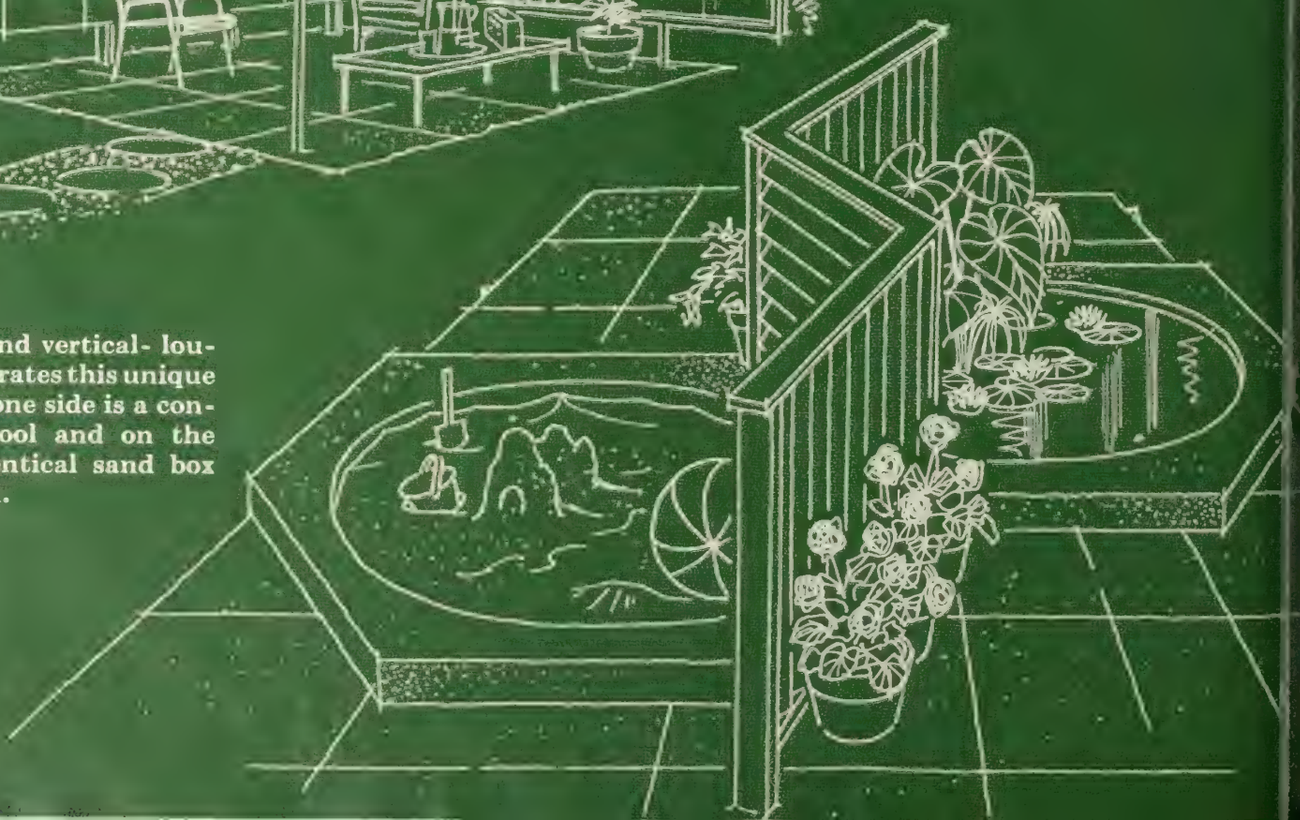
A wood deck converts sandy soils or steep slopes to more usable outdoor living space. The deck can be fancy post-and-joist construction or as simple as boards laid on the ground.



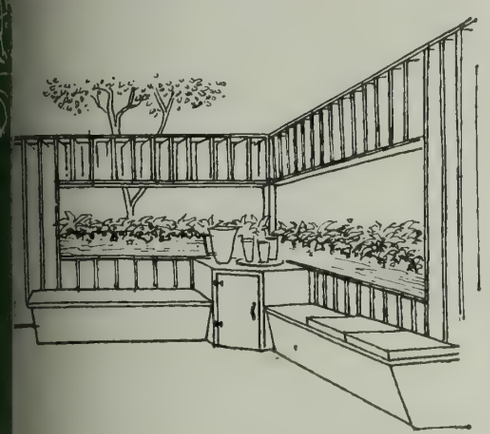


Combine storage and shelter into one complete unit in a corner of the garden. These cabinets were built into the paneled fence; the fence posts were extended to provide support for the vaulted plywood roof.

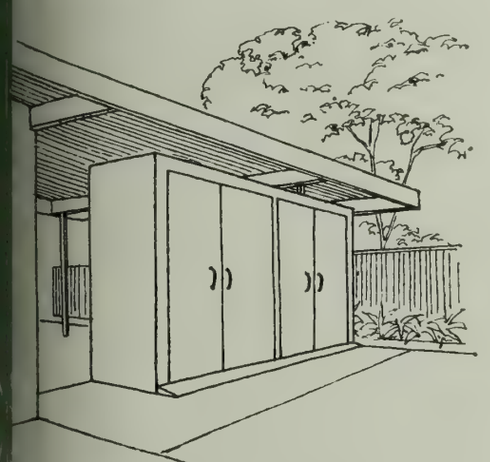
A horizontal- and vertical- louvered fence separates this unique patio area. On one side is a concrete garden pool and on the other is an identical sand box for the children.



First impressions of a home are the ones that will always be remembered. So consider what you can do to improve your landscape. If you view your home objectively, you will be able to see what can be done in the way of cleaning up the plantings, adding accessories, or working up projects for more family fun. First consider the use of trees, shrubs, evergreens, and flowers to accent the better features of the home and to screen off the poor ones. Trimming existing trees and shrubs, or planting a few new ones will make a world of difference.



A comfortable terrace with louvered screens and built-in cabinets will certainly provide much more family enjoyment. Not only do the screens create privacy, but they give shelter from the wind. If the screen is large, make openings for built-in flower boxes to break the monotony. Looks better from the other side, too. When using wood for outside construction, always use rot-resistant or treated lumber. And to prevent settling of fence posts, be sure to set them deep in concrete.

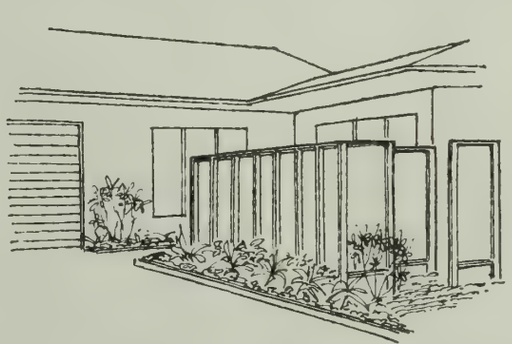


Outdoor storage is a must—for patio furniture, lawn mower and garden tools, and children's toys and bicycles. If you have a garage, the problem is not so great. Mostly, it is a matter of finding a suitable spot for everything. Perforated hardboard with hooks, fastened securely to the wall studs, is one quick answer. And don't overlook the possibility of overhead storage. The end of a carport is an ideal spot for a storage cabinet, but be sure to face the access doors away from the street, to help hide the clutter. A beveled sill beneath the doors aids in moving wheeled tools and toys in and out. If you don't have a carport or garage, build a storage unit into a fence or even against a building.

Garden steps rising from one level to another can be designed for both comfort and looks. Like indoor steps, the treads and risers should add up to 17½ inches for each step, for the most comfortable climbing. In any case, the riser should never be less than 6 inches nor more than 7¾ inches high. The depth of the tread should be in proportion to the riser. If there's enough space, plan for a strategically placed landing with perhaps a small bench for relaxing and enjoying the beauty. Plantings of trees, shrubs, ground covers, and flowers will complete the setting.



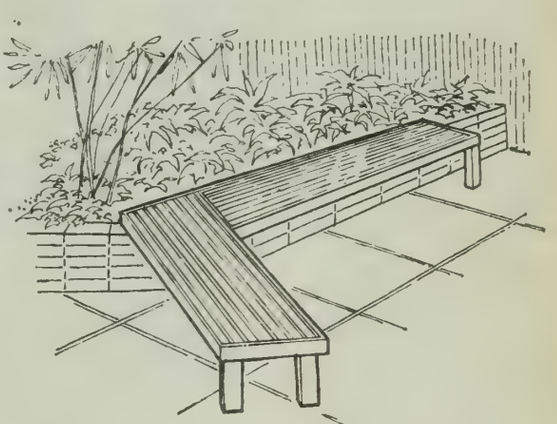
Perhaps the view from your picture window is undesirable or you're tired of the lack of privacy. If so, screen off a small area in front of the window. Then make a small private garden on the inside for your own enjoyment. Don't forget to plant a few shrubs or evergreens on the street side. You can really dress up your home, as well as provide privacy, with the various screening materials available now, such as waterproof plywood, canvas, perforated or plain tempered hardboard, reinforced plastic panels, and the regular line of fencing materials. Also use the same materials as sunscreens to solve shade problems. Be sure that all lumber and hardware are weatherproof to reduce maintenance.



In areas of the country where there is no change in the terrain, create your own "hills" by building raised planters. Stand



4x4-inch wood posts on end, holding them in place with horizontal metal stripping on the inside. Sink every sixth post into the ground for added support. To prevent soil and water seepage through the sides, line the planter with polyethylene plastic film. If you desire a more natural effect, build high mounds of soil and rock to accomplish the same effect as the planter. Ideal for planting are Alpine-type plants, as well as collections of annuals, perennials, and shrubs.



Short on patio seating space? It is not difficult to build a comfortable bench for your guests—one that will complement the architecture of your home. Benches may be constructed of various materials —stone, concrete, wood, steel, aluminum, or a combination of these. (You can probably think of some other useful materials.) For every site, there are many designs, such as curved benches for curved patios and flower borders. For comfort, make the seats 16-18 inches high.

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LIGHTING-WIRING

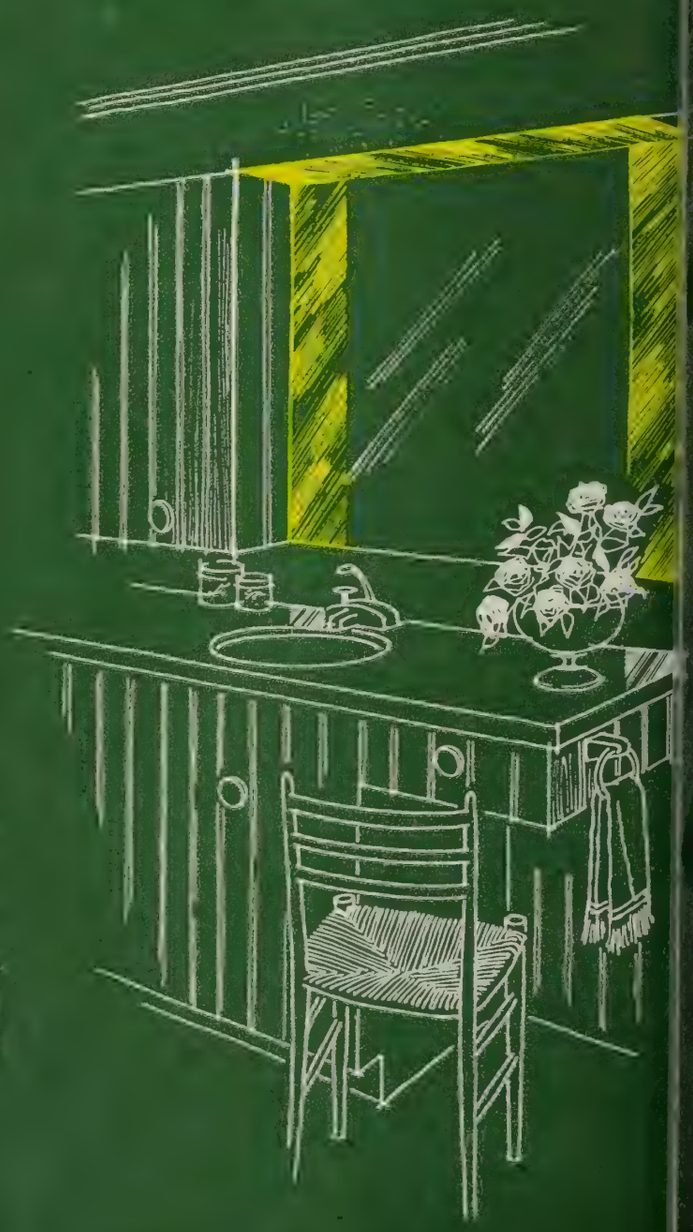
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Any living room does its job better with this kind of light. The lighted valance (it can be dimmed) softens shadows all over the room; recessed fixtures brighten the other walls.

This remodeled lavatory counter has good light for the most meticulous grooming—even Dad's under-the-chin stubble. The best bet here is fluorescent tubes—choose warm white deluxe.

Don't forget to plan outdoor lighting too. In warm weather, bright outdoor living areas seem bigger, more usable. And from inside, light lets your garden view work overtime.

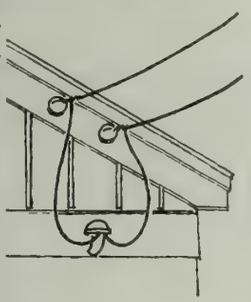




low well your house handles electricity akes a big difference to your comfort nd personal efficiency. Your appliances ay not be doing the best job either.

Updating your house so that it is both dequately wired and adequately lighted the kind of home improvement that akes hard sense for any family. And, it a good investment for the years ahead -one that will pay off if you ever sell!

he signs of poor wiring are all around ou—start looking n the outside of our house first. If ou have only two ires leading to your ouse, as shown here, our wiring is inade- uate for today's ne-up of electrical rvants.



Inside, find the rvice entrance—it will have a fuse or a rcuit breaker for each electrical circuit. ess than five fuses or breakers means ou're overdue for a major updating. Look all the actual wiring you can see. All ires below ground level should be in etal conduit. If wires are visible and the sulation is broken or brittle, they should e replaced.

Other clues: Do fuses blow out fre- uently? Do lights flicker when you vitch on an appliance? Have you noticed at your appliances are slow—or seem labor at their jobs? With one or ore of these symptoms, your house is robably underpowered.

hat to do. Call your utility company r an evaluation. Or contact a reliable ectrical contractor. Either way, their perts will be able to make specific commendations and help you get arted on an electrical remodeling.

ighting has come a long way since the ays when each room had a simple naked bulb hanging from the center of the ceiling. Much of this change comes from better, more efficient sources of light and the wide range of increasingly effective fixtures and lamps. Today's technicians know more about e way light can make your home more mfortable and more relaxing.



your living room—and in your family om—take a fresh look at your lamps. ou should have one at every seating oup—the three-way type best serves a ariety of duties.

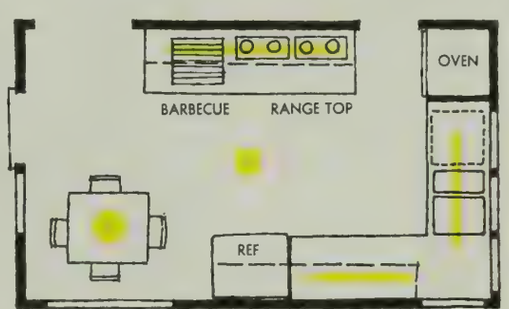
For reading and other demanding eye sks, make sure that the bottom of the mp shade (see sketch above) is about the same level as your eyes. This height averages about 40 inches for women (if it's a table lamp, include the height of the table, too) and 42 inches for men. Risers —available at most lamp stores—can adjust shades of the lamps you have.

The general over-all illumination of your living room is just as important in creating an easy-to-live-in atmosphere as the area lighting your lamps give. By installing lighted valances, wall brackets, or recessed fixtures, you'll cut down contrasts and soften shadows all over the room. And, you'll make your furnishings look better.

Inexpensive new controls will let you dim—or brighten—lights like this, as the occasion demands.

In the kitchen, take a bird's-eye view of the plan. First of all, you should have a diffusing fixture for general lighting, with at least one 150-watt incandescent bulb or two 4-foot fluorescent tubes.

Then look at each spot you work: counter, range, sink, and desk. The jobs you do at each of these locations require good lighting. Fluorescent tubes are best



adapted for this use—plan a wall switch for each and make sure that the tube itself is shielded from your eyes.

The color of the fluorescent tubes you choose for the kitchen is important—most experts recommend the warm white de luxe. You may want to experiment with the different colors available.

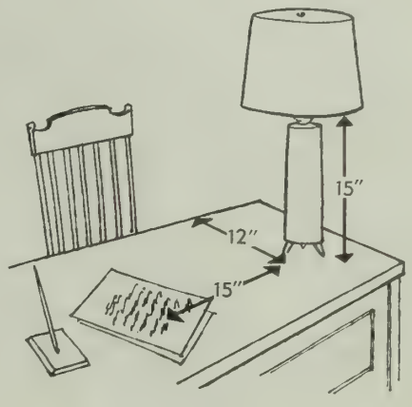
If you have an eating area in your kitchen, you'll want a separate light fixture for it, either for the wall or the ceiling. Pendent, pull-down, or wall-mounted fixtures will do this part of the job. Choose a fixture that directs light both upward and downward and that also effectively shields the bulbs.

Look at the children's study areas — these are particularly important because poor light here will cause fatigue and eyestrain long before the homework's done.

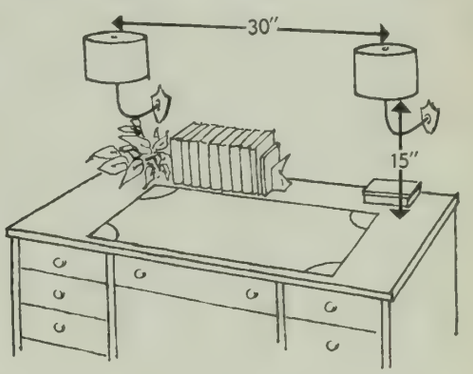
Study desks and tables are simple to light correctly. Desk tops should be light-colored so that papers and books do not contrast sharply with their background. Also, the surface should have a dull finish so it doesn't produce glare. If you use a table lamp or a pair of pin-up lamps, place them as shown in these two sketches.

To use fluorescent tubes, buy or build a unit that lets light go both upward and down to the desk surface. These shelf-like fixtures should be faced with an opaque material and should be from 15 to 18 inches above the top of the desk.

Outdoor lighting with the many inexpensive fixtures now on the market gives



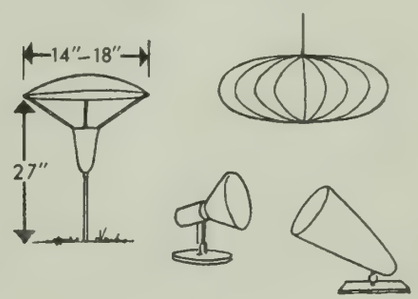
you a chance to exercise your creative ability. A good way to get started is to arrange with a retailer to take out several



of each type of fixture and return those you don't need. Use extension cords for your experimental hookups.

Start with area lighting using outdoor floodlights with built-in reflectors. These bulbs need no weather protection and can be mounted almost anywhere. Hide the bulbs or use concealing fixtures.

Then work with smaller areas and accent lights. Choose low "mushroom" fix-



tures for small planting areas. Or, for a flower border, use several shielded fixtures with 25- or 40-watt bulbs.

On the patio, keep light levels low for relaxation—if you use floods here, they should be well shielded to avoid glare.

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FACE LIFTING

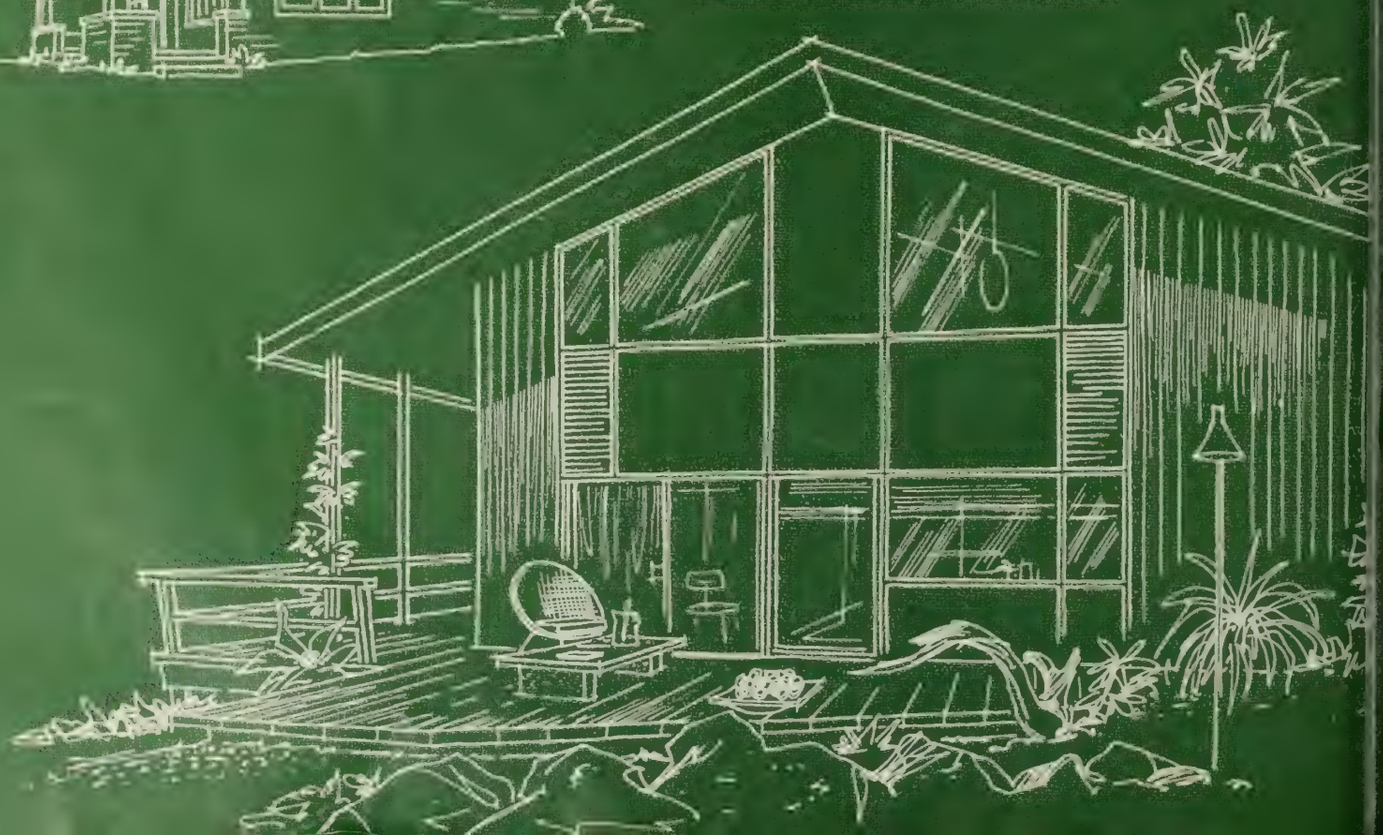


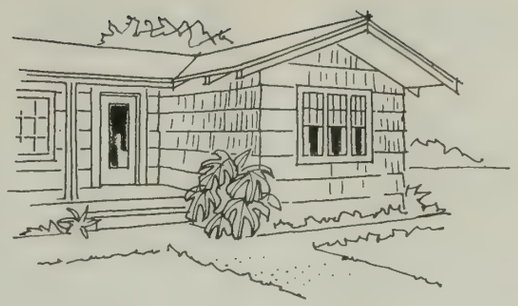
If you're adding a new wing to your home, it's a good chance to give the whole house a new face. The heavy porch and unnecessary roof lines were removed—new siding and shutters added—to give this 1920 model an up-to-date neatness.





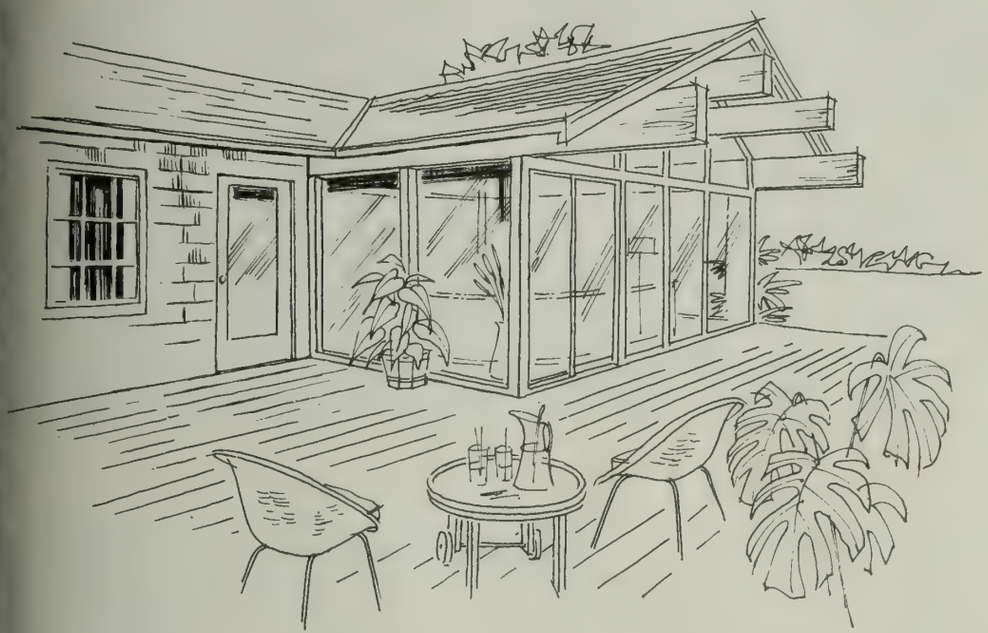
How much can a face lifting update your house? Look at this example. It shows how new, contemporary character can be added to an old house. This one got bigger windows for more light, and sliding glass doors for better access to the outside. Panels and battens add neatness.





New beams, more glass, and a new deck made a startling improvement in the appearance of this home. New windows made the interior space bright and cheerful.

The new deck is important, both actually and visually, in easing the abrupt change from indoors to outdoors. It gives you a little sense of both—looking either way.





The changes in this house are modest but they do a big job. The pillar effect of shutters flanking the door gives the entry the scale and importance it needs.

Framing the windows and using half shutters below add badly needed individuality to plain subdivision houses like this one—with a minimum of expense.



Good taste and good design, always important, are musts when you're changing the face of a house. Without them, your exterior face lifting will be only a change—not an improvement. And this is one home improvement where the whole world can see the result. Unless you are a better designer or architect than most people, you should give serious thought to letting a professional plan any major change.

A rule of thumb for improving the appearance of almost any house is: *simplify it.* The older the home, the more likely it is to be hidden under a maze of excess trim, pillars, and porches. Too often, these were out of proportion when the house was built. Now they date the house as left over from a day when ornateness was its own excuse. New houses can be just as bad. Too many window sizes, windows that don't line up, three or more siding materials, and too much false trim are only a few of the common faults. Get rid of as much excess as you can.

Poorly proportioned houses, particularly those that are too tall or stick out of the ground too far, are a common problem. Siding with a strong horizontal line will make the house seem lower. Running the siding down over the foundation, or bringing the grade up to the siding, will tie the house down. Painting the upper level of a two-story house a darker shade than the lower half makes it seem lower. Windows should all be the same height and should line up both top and bottom. If you can't avoid two heights, be sure they all line up on the top. Windows that are too narrow or too widely spaced can be improved with shutters. But, shutters must be in proportion to the windows. Shutters also widen the window area and help create a strong horizontal line.

The entry to your house should be important both to you and your guests. Shutters and an important light fixture flanking the entry will give it emphasis. The door itself should be simple, but paint it a bright color so it will stand out and further emphasize the entry. You can update your old door by refacing it with ¼-inch plywood. (Use both glue and nails.) Garage doors are a different story. They are *not* a visual asset and should be as inconspicuous as possible. Paint them to blend with the garage.

Paint is the best way to emphasize or conceal any feature of your home. If you want emphasis, paint to contrast with the surrounding area. To conceal, paint to blend with the background. One of the best applications of this principle is the ugly little raised-eyebrow dormer that deforms many homes. Paint it as near to the roofing color as you can and use the same color to trim an accent feature.

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PLANNING SERIES No. 15

HEATING AND COOLING AN ADDITION

Heating and air conditioning are as much a part of your addition as the roof and walls. Complete your plans *before* you break ground. These are *not* plans you can make by yourself. You must get expert help, usually from a qualified heating and air-conditioning dealer.

The system you already have is the starting point. There are three choices: You can extend, supplement, or replace your existing equipment.

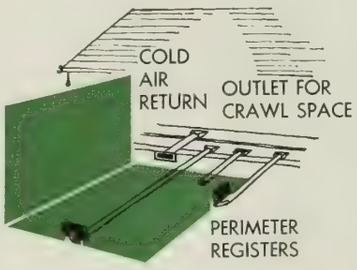
Adding to your existing system is usually the cheapest way to heat an addition. Ask a local dealer to make a "heat loss survey" to determine whether your present system will carry the extra load.

Forced-air system add-tos will generally run about $25 per register. A typical 10x13-foot room usually will require one register, but plan for two if it has three outside walls. If the addition is built over crawl space, you should have another register under the floor. A cold air return (highly recommended) adds another $25 or so. (See the installation drawing below.)

If your furnace won't do the job, you may be able to add capacity by adding larger fuel pipes and burners.

A hot-water system is easily expandable unless water pipes are buried in a slab floor. Normally, you can expect to pay about $100 to $150 per average room.

A radiant electrical heating system is a natural to expand. Original equipment will usually handle resistance cable for two extra 130-square-foot rooms. Costs will average $175 to $225 for a single 10x13 room, about $350 to $425 for two rooms of this size.



Replacing your furnace is expensive, but this may be your best solution. And it may not be as costly as you think. By replacing your furnace when you add extra living area, you can arrange for blanket financing, perhaps at a more favorable interest rate and pay-off period. For the average home, plan on $800 to $1,000 for replacing an old furnace with a new forced-air system. (The price considers that much of the duct work can be salvaged.) Add the cost of extending the system to the new room.

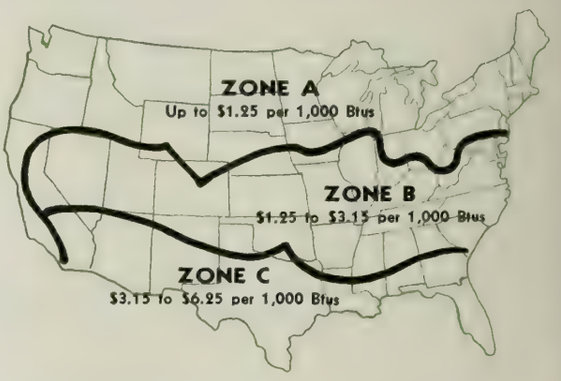
New central-heating ideas include: electric forced-air furnaces that make possible centralized air conditioning, and new oil furnaces with mechanically produced draft which eliminates the heat-stealing chimney.

Supplementing your present equipment with room or area systems is often the best way to heat extra rooms.

Reliable, thermostatically controlled gas-fired units large enough to heat one room (or two if joined by an archway or open hall) cost from $170 to $220 installed.

Electric room-heating units use about as much current as an electric stove with all of the units turned "on." If you have adequate wiring, thermostat-equipped radiant electric wall units will cost about $100 to $125 for or room. Radiant-convection baseboard heaters cost $75 t $124 per room installed.

Central air conditioning usually has been well enoug planned so that your present system can be extended t

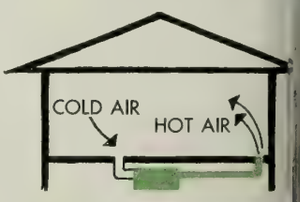


your addition. If you don't already have it, this may we be the time to install central air conditioning.

The Federal Housing Administration has taken note the increasing demand in a directive to its field office "Within a few years, any house that is not air-conditione will probably be obsolescent, so FHA should start en couraging the inclusion of air conditioning."

Estimating the cost of adding central air conditionin is another job for an expert. Size of the home, existin duct work, insulation, and local labor costs are only few of the variables. One manufacturer estimates the co of installation at from $750 to $1,000 for a one-stor three-bedroom, 1,200-square-foot home where substa tial alterations are not required. This is based on one to of cooling capacity for every 600 square feet of floo space in a well-insulated home. The map above show approximate costs of cooling a 1,200-square-foot home fo one season (electricity at 1½ cent per kilowatt hour).

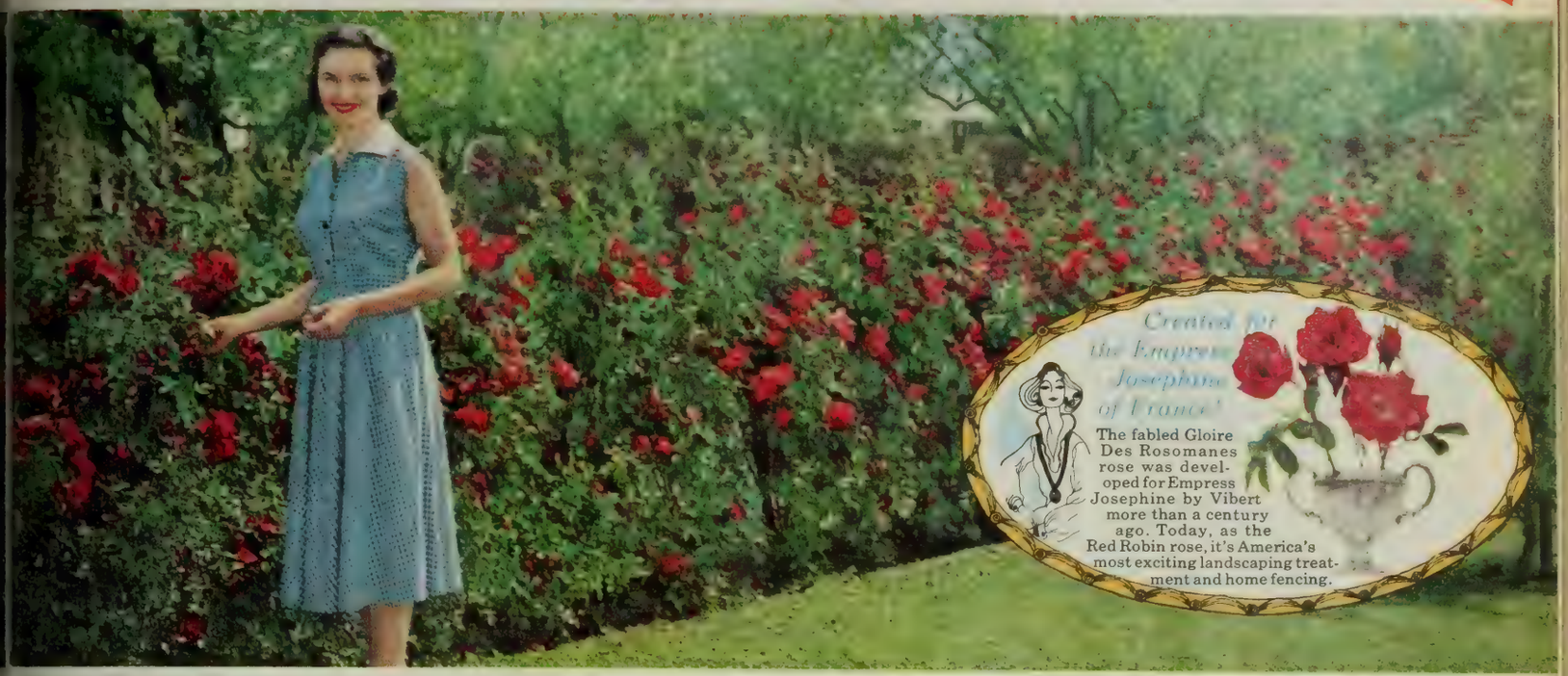
Room air conditioners include the heat pump, (als available as a central unit) which both heats and cool but is suitable for heating only in mild climates where th temperature seldom drops below freezing.



General considerations in heating or cooling an addition are the same as for a whole house. Insulation, double-pane windows, adequate venting, cold air returns, and registers under windows or in the floor in fron of sliding glass doors—all these add to your comfor Under-the-floor units (above) make installation easy. E sure your thermostat is located away from windows an fireplace, so it will give a true reading of the gener room temperature.

Whatever you plan, get expert help. Heating and coo ing are *not* do-it-yourself jobs.

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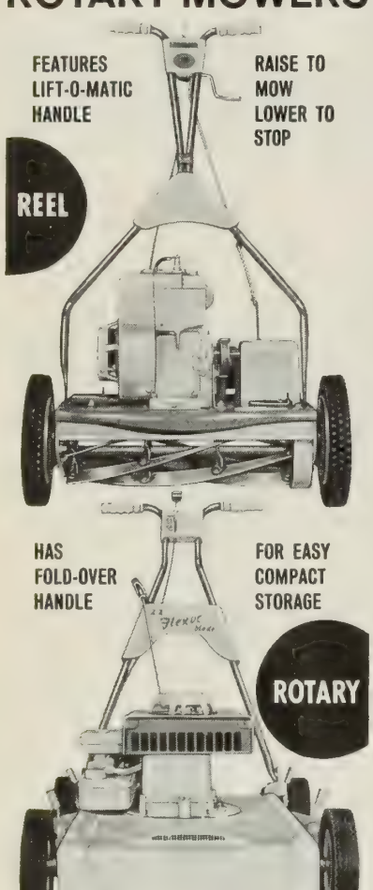
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Think back to the days when you first began to read. How did you choose a book—and who aimed you in the right (or wrong) direction? Now ask yourself who is guiding your child's reading today? If no one is providing that guidance—or if it is simply haphazard—your youngsters may miss one of their most vital preparations for life. In this article, the Children's Consultant for the New York State Public Library draws on her counseling experience with both children and parents to give you important advice on encouraging young people's reading.

Behold the magic in a child's book

By Dorothy M. Broderick

Any parent who wants to broaden his child's reading must have some knowledge of children's books—not as they were in his youth, but as they are today. An appreciation of children's books can best be acquired by reading them, but for many adults, this prospect is an alarming one.

"Me, read kids' books?" Absolutely, yes. Try it and you will find yourself enjoying them immensely. For one thing, children's authors must provide honest character development, rapidly moving plots, and genuinely funny situations. (They cannot drop in a bedroom scene to boost them over the dull spots in the manuscript!) If, as a parent, you do not know Mr. Popper, Homer Price, Miss Pickerell, or Uncle Beazley, you have untold joy ahead of you.

First of all, you will enjoy reading the books to yourself. And then, you will have twice the pleasure reading them aloud in the family circle. Books offer a wonderful opportunity for you and your child to have the same friends, laugh at the same jokes, and weep for the same sorrows—though, admittedly, on different levels.

A good book becomes a part of the child, and the more such books he discovers, the better his life will be. He may not be articulate about the books he reads (and we should not expect him to be), but this does not lessen the impact. Just as he understands the spoken language long before he learns to speak, so he gets from books the ideas, attitudes, and values which he later unconsciously takes for himself. From *King of the Wind*, he absorbs the idea of devotion; *Call It Courage* teaches him that the truly courageous act is accompanied by fear—that only fools are unafraid in danger. And in Edwin Tunis' *Frontier Living*, he can discover for himself the qualities that made America's westward movement one of the stirring achievements of man over nature.

Your enthusiasm to help expand your child's reading interests must be combined with knowledge of his personality and the books available. More than one children's librarian has wished that she might have on the library door a sign reading: "Dogs allowed, parents keep out." Not all parents, of course, but particular types.

There is, for example, the meddler or pusher. That's the parent who finds fault with every book the child takes from the shelves and remarks aloud in the child's hearing, "Honestly, he must be retarded. Here he is eight and he won't read Dickens, Clemens, or Stevenson."

These parents are victims of what I call the Reverse Law of Reading Memory: the older an adult gets, the younger he was when he read any particular book. At age 25, a man probably recalls that he hadn't really enjoyed Stevenson or Clemens until his teen years, but as a father of 35, he believes he had savored all the world's great literature by the age of ten. So, if you want your eight-year-old to experience the thrills of *Treasure Island*, read it aloud to him. And don't be crushed if he does not find it the classic you know it to be. He would probably be happier with *Henry Huggins*, *Little Eddie*, or *Space Cat*.

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vocabulary school. They open at random the books selected by their children, find the hardest word on the page, and demand to be told what the word is and what it means. One unknown word and the book is returned to the shelf. Yet such parents forget that only by encountering new words does the child expand his reading vocabulary. They also forget the enchantment strange words have for children, as demonstrated by the popularity of Edward Lear's *Nonsense Book*, Odgen Nash's *The Moon Is Shining Bright As Day*, and Kipling's *Just So Stories*.

New interests, even for children, must be created. Ten years ago, if Herbert Zim had walked into a juvenile editor's office with his easy-reading book, *Dinosaurs*, he probably would have been told that young children are not interested in prehistoric animals. Today we know better, and now there is a children's book on practically anything you can name—including science, history, foreign languages, and mathematics—for every age level from preschoolers up. Many of these books are matter-of-fact presentations, but a healthy percentage strive to challenge and inspire the young reader.

In the world of creative fiction, some of the best writing being done in America is for children. The realism of William O. Steele's stories of frontier life; the imaginative adventures of *The Borrowers;* the family tales of Eleanor Estes—these books are constant sources of joy for young and old alike. And there is the delightful *Charlotte's Web*, probably the best book published in our lifetime, bar none.

Almost everyone is familiar with *The Cat in the Hat*, but some of the best easy-to-read books in the country are the *Little Bear* tales written by Else Minarik and illustrated by Maurice Sendak. This combination of literate prose and distinguished art is impossible to beat and rarely equaled.

In the field of beautiful picture books, American publishers outdo themselves. Learning becomes all pleasure for children when the alphabet is presented as excitingly as in Bruno Munari's *ABC*, or manners as humorously as in *What Do You Say, Dear?*

For rollicking good fun, there are the stories of Virginia Kahl, with the Austrian touch, and tales of *Anatole*, the cleverest of French mice. And the oldest of the fairy and folk tales takes on added dimension when illustrated by Paul Galdone, Adrienne Adams, and Marcia Brown.

But enough. It is never safe to start a children's librarian talking about books. There are so many good ones, and so few can be mentioned. Take a look at your public library's shelves and discover for yourself the magic of modern children's books.

If you need or want additional help in selecting them for your children, write to The Children's Book Council, Inc., Dept. DD, 175 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, for the pamphlet, "Aids to Choosing Books for Your Children." The cost is one nickel, and you'll never get more for your money.



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Arranging accessories into eye-pleasing compositions is common decorating problem. But remember these simple rul and you can hardly go wrong, whether you're planning a wa grouping or a coffee table arrangement.

Unite the articles into a complete composition related height and width to the furniture beneath it. Don't try to u too many objects in one setting, and don't let one item or portio of the grouping dominate the total arrangement.

Can you arrange accessories?

Look at the top photograph; notice how your eye trave from one object to another, all around the arrangement. Thi grouping has good balance and depth.

In contrast, the arrangement below is poorly planned. Th tall plant and the center portion of the picture dominate th grouping. The picture is hung too high, and the plant hasn enough mass to unite the picture to the table beneath.



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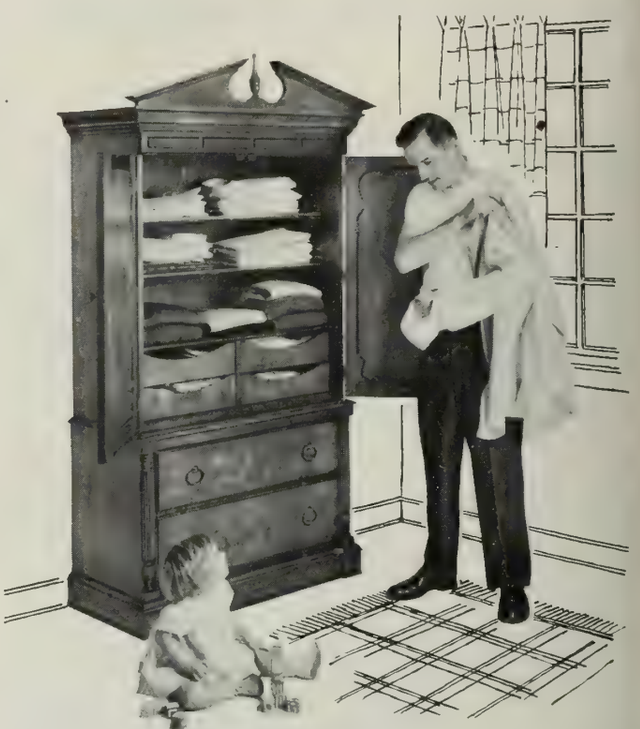
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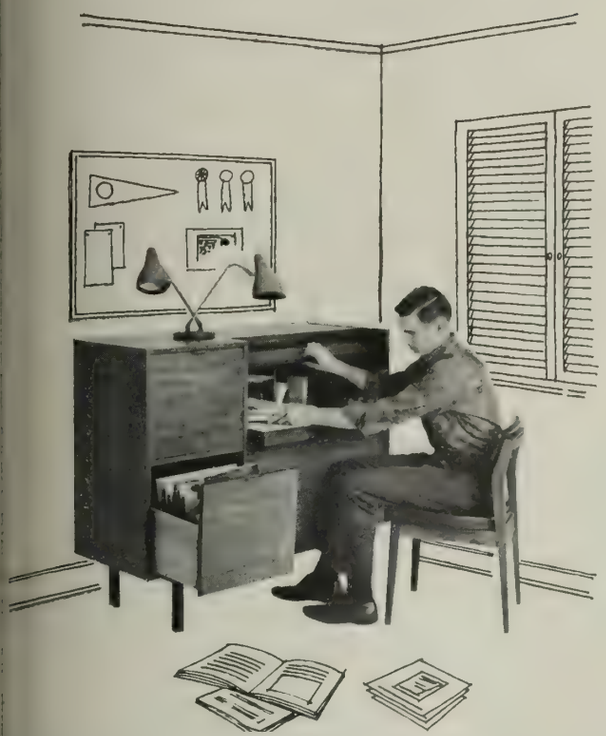


Everyone types these days, so even smaller desks have space to store a machine. This neat desk holds your portable typewriter on one side; on the other, it provides drawer space for writing materials and home-office supplies. This versatile piece matches bedroom furniture—it could double as a vanity.



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Some ANSWERS you should know

By Jane Goss Sta

A rainbow of color surrounds you—but how do you cho the *right* color for your walls, your sofa, or your lamps? H do you use colors in combinations? The world of color be thrilling—but confusing.

We have selected some of the color questions asked m often by our readers and we hope our answers can help y in choosing colors for your home.

Q. *How can I perk up my present color scheme?*
A. One of the newest ways is one of the oldest—lighti It can change the colors and appearance of your roo bringing new sparkle and drama. Plan your lighting merely to chase away darkness but to create a lovel room. Use small spotlights to dramatize an attractive fi place or show off a handsome picture grouping. Try some the colored light bulbs—the pink is wonderfully flatteri to your skin. Test yellow lights for warmth—blue or gre for coolness. Both warm and cool tubes are available fluorescent lighting fixtures.

A pole lamp with several light sources can do wonde It shines up on the ceiling, down on the carpeting, a brings out new high lights in your upholstery, making most of the fabric's texture. Create a mood—from bright day to deepest dusk—with rheostatic light switches t allow you to dial the degree of light you want.

Q. *How should I distribute colors in a room for the best effe*
A. If you were to use all colors in equal amounts, your ro would look jumpy and cut up. Uneven areas are much m interesting. Use the big area background color as a ro organizer, add bright contrasts in accessories and sm pieces to make the important areas pop out and attract tention. One of the best guides for a well-balanced ro is this little rhyme, "something dark, something lig something dull, something bright". If you remember t rhyme and use these elements in *unequal* amounts, y room should have an effective color balance.

Q. *May I use more than one patterned fabric in a room?*
A. Two bold patterns will make your room look clutte and confused, but you can combine more than one figu fabric, if the size of the patterns differs. For instance large, colorful print could be combined with a small, sim print, like a shadowy stripe. When you're considering p

ern, remember this: the texture of a fabric and whether its nish is dull or shiny can also give you a variation of surces in your upholstery and draperies.

. How can I use color to highlight a center of interest?
.. Use tones that contrast with your wall area in color. For xample, if you want to focus attention around your sofa rrangement, choose upholstery or slip covers that differ om your wall color—a darker shade or contrasting one. et some of your brightest accents close by and you'll see ow the area stands out and becomes interesting.

. The bright accessory I bought looks drab in my home. Why?
.. When choosing your accessories, keep this fact in mind: olors are affected by their surroundings. The object that oks bright by itself or in one room may look dull in anther, depending on the intensity of the colors around it. icture a yellow pillow. When you put it on a gold couch, it fairly drab. On an orange couch, it looks brighter. Place n a black couch and it stands out sharply.

. I have a small room; what color should I use on the walls?
. Light colors tend to appear farther away than they really e. Bold, bright colors seem closer. Pale tints stretch out ie walls; intense colors shrink them. Use this knowledge change the shape of your room.

. How can I make a transition from one color scheme to anher when the colors aren't closely related?
. This takes some figuring and is highly individual, deending on where you start, how radical the color change , and how much you can spend immediately on new furishings. Here are a few tips to help you:
Start by sorting out and simplifying your present color heme. Retain the colors and pattern in your furniture iat would be most compatible with the new color family ou've selected. Almost all colors can be combined, if the nes of the materials are chosen carefully.
Pick up swatches of your new color and test them at home nder your own lighting conditions. See what will blend ith your present colors. Big areas of color will make the ost difference, of course. Remember that paints can be atched; carpeting and draperies can't be changed so easily.

. If I buy a fabric labeled "colorfast," just what does it mean?
. "Colorfast" means a fabric will hold its color for the noral life of the article, without noticeable change in shade. ut remember, the dyes of the fabric you buy should be olorfast under the conditions where that particular fabric ill be used. Look for labels that read "colorfast to light," olorfast to water," or "colorfast to dry cleaning." Conder the possible hazards in the use of the fabric and buy ccordingly. Your draperies should be colorfast to sunlight, hile slip covers and upholstery fabric should be colorfast water or cleaning.

. How can I restore color that has faded?
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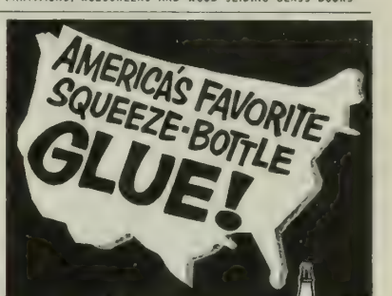
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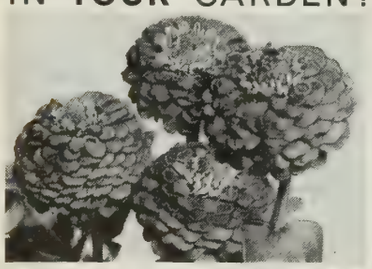
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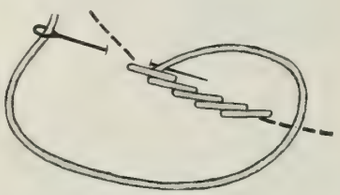
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tracing of it on thin paper with a 2H pencil. For transferring to fabric, turn penciled drawing face down on cloth; drip a puddle of ordinary lighter fluid on back. While it is still wet, rub over it with edge of a spoon. (Caution: Use a small amount at a time. Avoid inhaling fumes. Do not use under dry, cold conditions where static electricity might cause a spark.)

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When embroidering, work each stitch in separate movements: one up, the other down, rather than both at the same time. To avoid knots in finished work, make a knot in the end of the thread; pass needle down through fabric about an inch away from where you intend to start embroidering. Next, bring it up to starting point of stitches. Knot; cut excess thread after stitches are started.



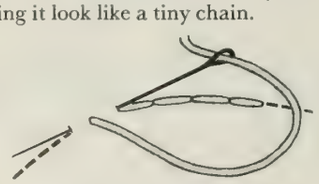
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This stitch slants from left to right. The slant can be made less by stitching more nearly parallel to the line being worked.



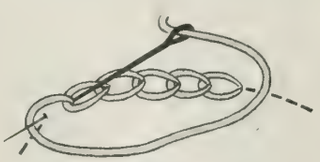
SPLIT-STITCH

Here the stitch is worked right on the line. Each stitch splits the thread of the stitch before it, making it look like a tiny chain.



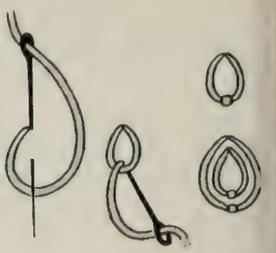
BACK-STITCH

Unlike those above, this stitch has its long stitch forward underneath, and a short stitch back on top. Both are worked on the line.



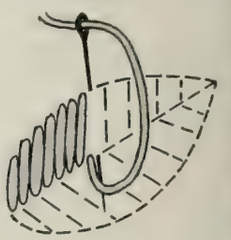
CHAIN-STITCH

Bring needle and thread to right side of fabric. Hold the thread to form a loop. Needle should enter fabric exactly where thread of the previous stitch came through, then goes over loop of thread. Ma loops all the same size.



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This petal-shaped stitch is ma same as a chain stitch. Then aft each loop is made, a small stit holds it in place. All lazy-dai stitches are made the same lengt



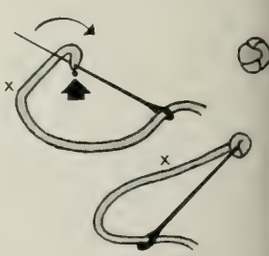
SATIN-STITCH

Here the thread is carried acr an area in parallel stitches, retur ing underneath fabric. To keep t stitches parallel, draw a few gui lines in direction you wish them slant. Notice that needle in retu stitch is slightly more slanted. Ke stitches close together to fill in t design, as shown.



LONG-AND-SHORT STITCH

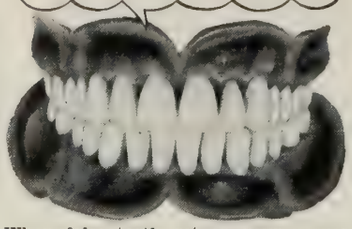
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FRENCH KNOT

This stitch is used to define dc or can be massed together. Bri needle up through fabric; hold of needle close to this point. Wr thread over it one or more tim depending upon size of dot. H thread taut by placing thumb "X" position. Swing needle in rection of arrow. Push it do through dot where first stitch v taken. Pull needle and thre through to wrong side, formi knot.

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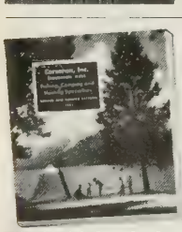
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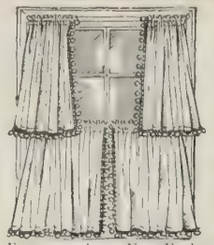
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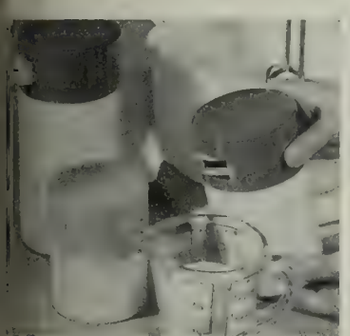
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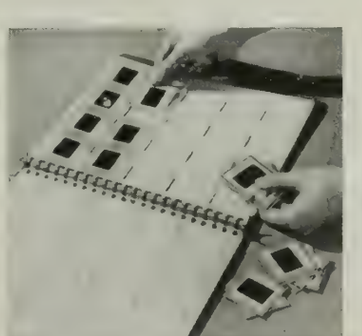
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Young people fail to realize that it is often as difficult to be parents of today's children as it is to be children of today's parents.

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Many of the hate groups seem to be gathering momentum these days. Too bad so few of the love groups ever seem to get up much of a head of steam.

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One of the difficulties of bachelorhood, Mr. Bell says, is that if you leave an attractive woman alone, she won't leave you alone.

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Anybody who can decently feed and clothe his family, pay off his mortgage and installment debts, settle his taxes, see that his children are educated, and provide a little something for the future will soon find a way to eke out the payments on two cars.

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The only time to trust your first hunch is when it is your last chance.



"If a violet can break through this stuff, so can I!"

Nobody denies that our scientific knowledge and achievements are taking us far and fast. But I wish our scientists could provide some kind of a device to tell us where we are headed.

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If everyone who believes he is entitled to better breaks actually got them, we would all go broke providing them.

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"Going uphill is more fun than going downhill," Judy remarked last Sunday on our weekly walk, "especially if where you would most rather be is uphill."

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Once you give up expecting that tomorrow will be a better day, the chances are it won't be.

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It is more blessed to give than to receive, and many millions of Americans will be making plenty of character points on April 15.

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For a change, Rosemary's latest beau is having a good effect on her high-school grades. She is determined to be qualified to go to the college of his choice.

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This sign advertising our church rummage sale sort of discombobulated the congregation: "Good chance to dispose of things not worth keeping that you can't quite throw away. Bring your husband."

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Ann Niewold, our pretty new grade-school teacher, asked her class, "Cleanliness is next to what?" Tomboy Robin O'Reilly quickly answered, "Impossible."

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"Don't scoff at church because it harbors so many sinners," warns Nat Simmons. "If the pastor restricted his flock to saints, there might be no room for you."

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Cheerful people, according to Dr. Ben Frissell, resist disease better than glum ones. Or as the doc likes to tell his patients, "The surly bird catches the germ."

"As I now understand it," my belove Christine ended an argument one recer morning, "a thermostat is a scientific d vice that keeps the house too cold for ha the family and too warm for the oth half."

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Today, as we all know from studying th international situation, a diplomat is a ge who can be disarming even though his cou try isn't.

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"Marriage," neighbor Charlie Polir warns all young adults, "is an institutic of higher learning which administers i tests of admission only after classes hav begun."

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According to Pat O'Leary, even thoug a man cannot decide what is best for hin self, that fact in no way disqualifies hi from telling people what is best for th country.

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When I was a boy, we spoke with a miration of the "square shooter." Such man was "square" with you and alwa gave you a "square deal." If he owed yc something, he always "got square" wi you as soon as he could. He insisted th his business dealings be "fair and square and all his personal relationships were "c the square," too.

It's a sign of our changing times th one of the nastiest things you can say abo anyone these days is that he's a "square Personally, though, I don't go along wi that attitude.

We've got about as many deliberate well-rounded personalities now as th country can hold. Too many of them tu out to be "smooth operators" whose ma interest is to "get around" legal and mor obstacles.

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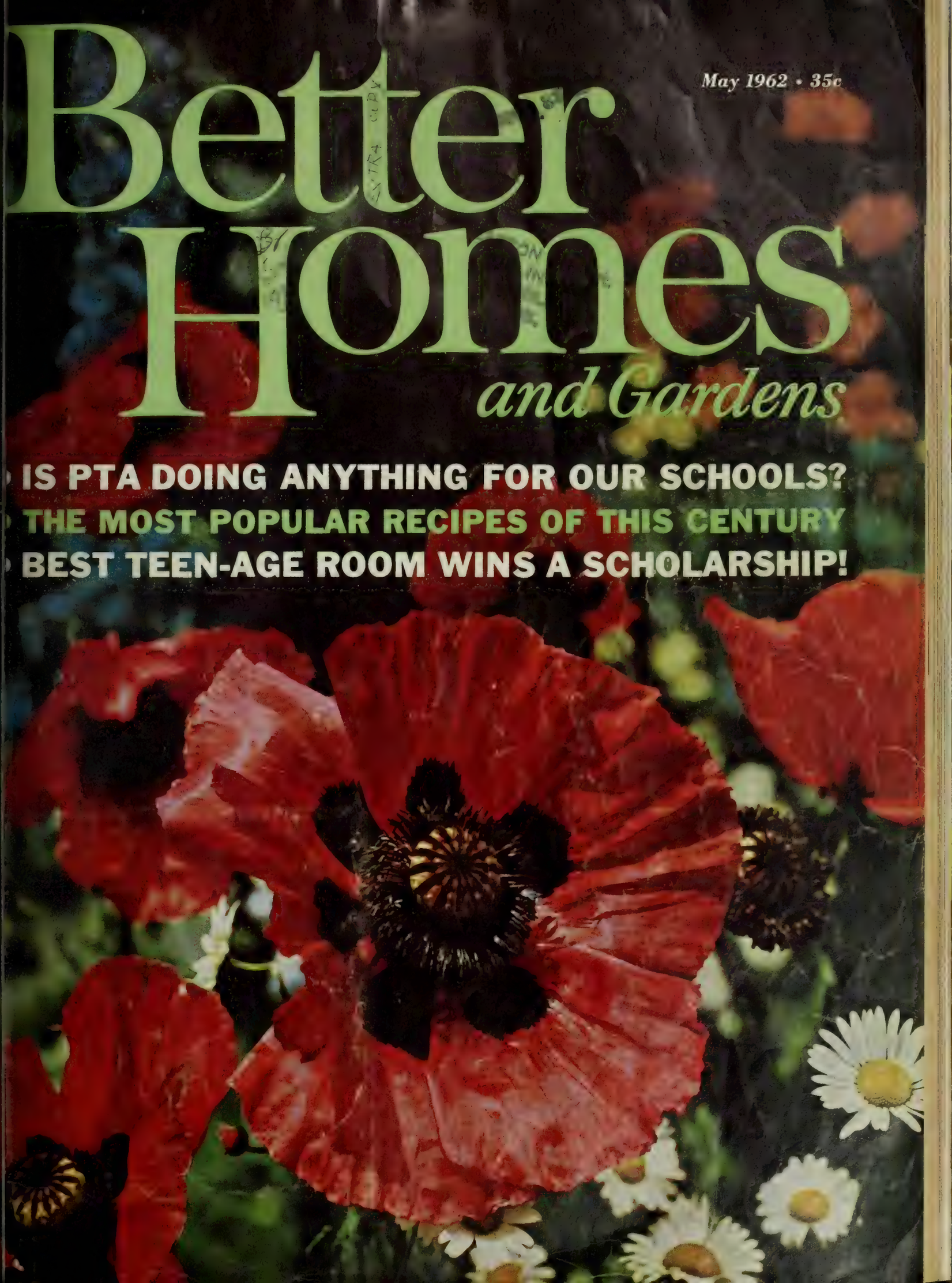
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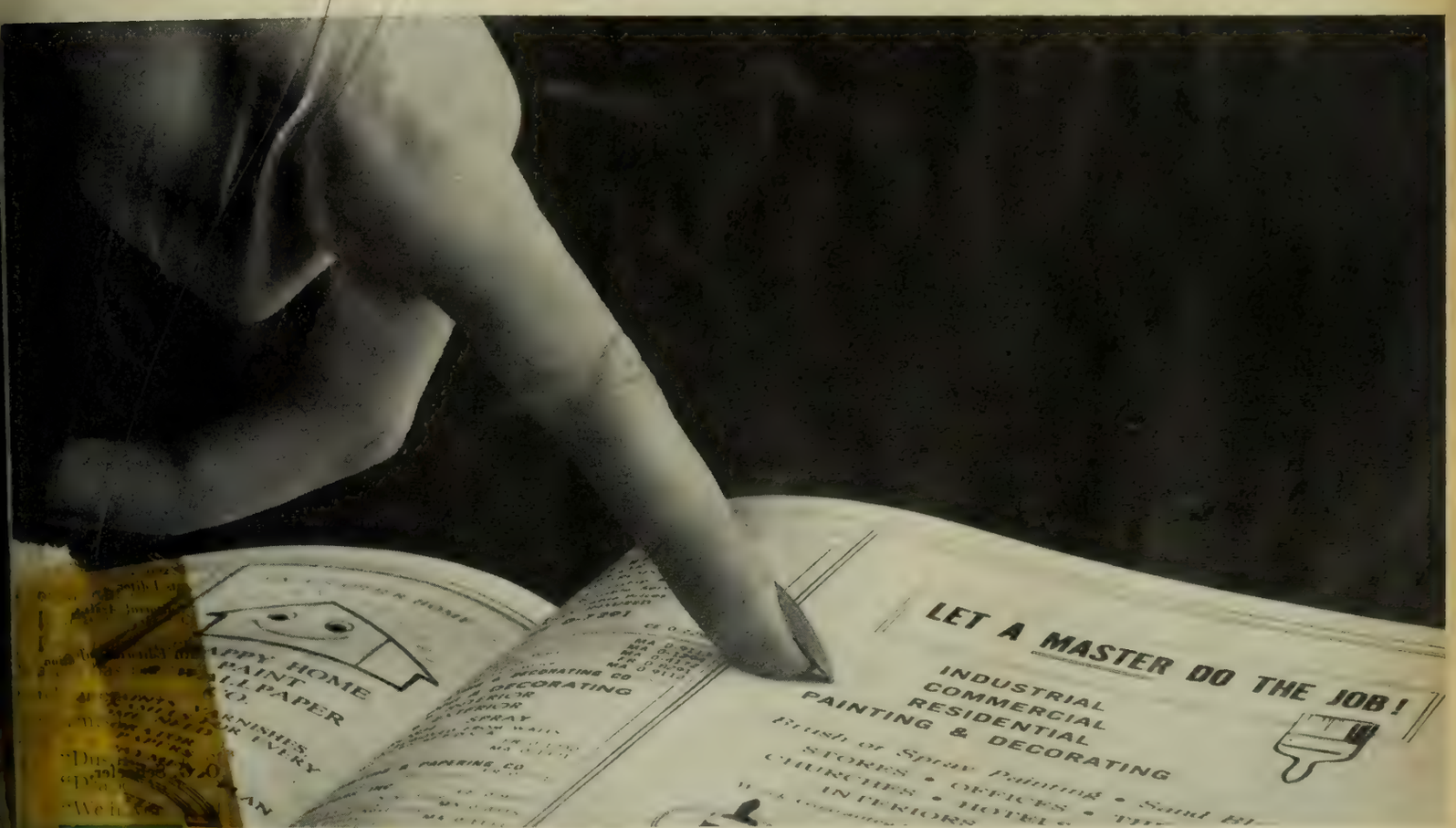
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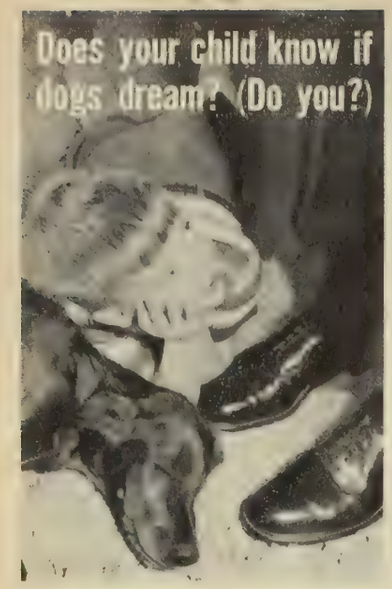


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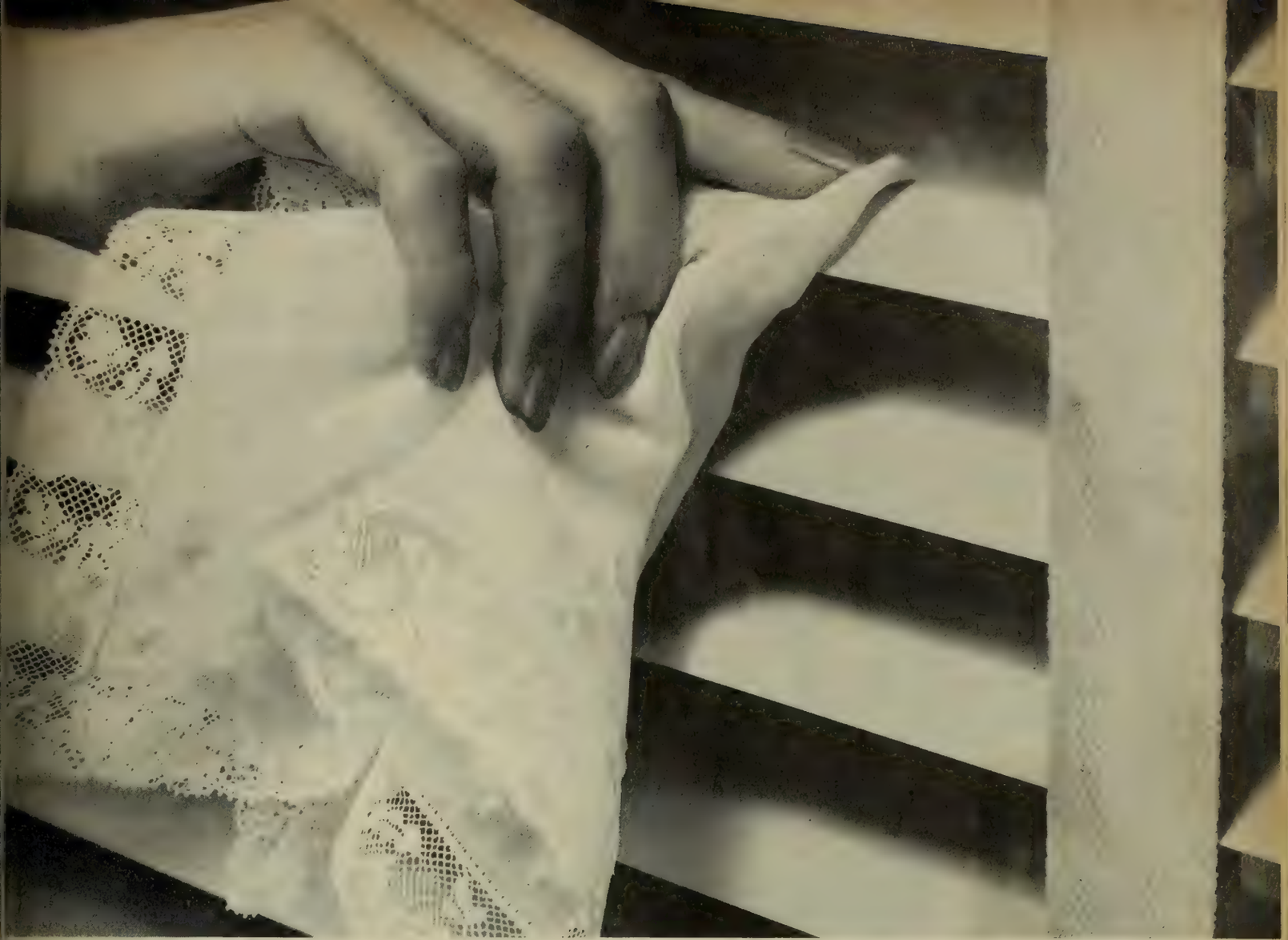
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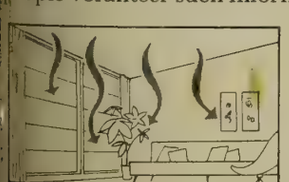
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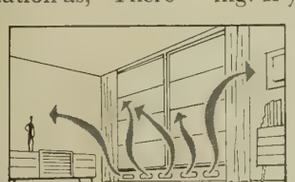
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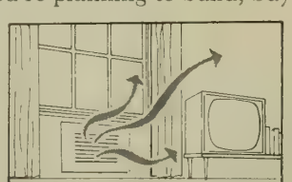
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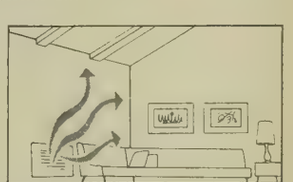
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For a list of additional prizes, turn to page 132.

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1962 Home Improvement Contest
Contest Editor, Better Homes and Gardens
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		B	8 $100 winners		B $500
		C	8 $100 winners		C $500
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		C	8 $100 winners		C $500
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		C	8 $100 winners		C $500
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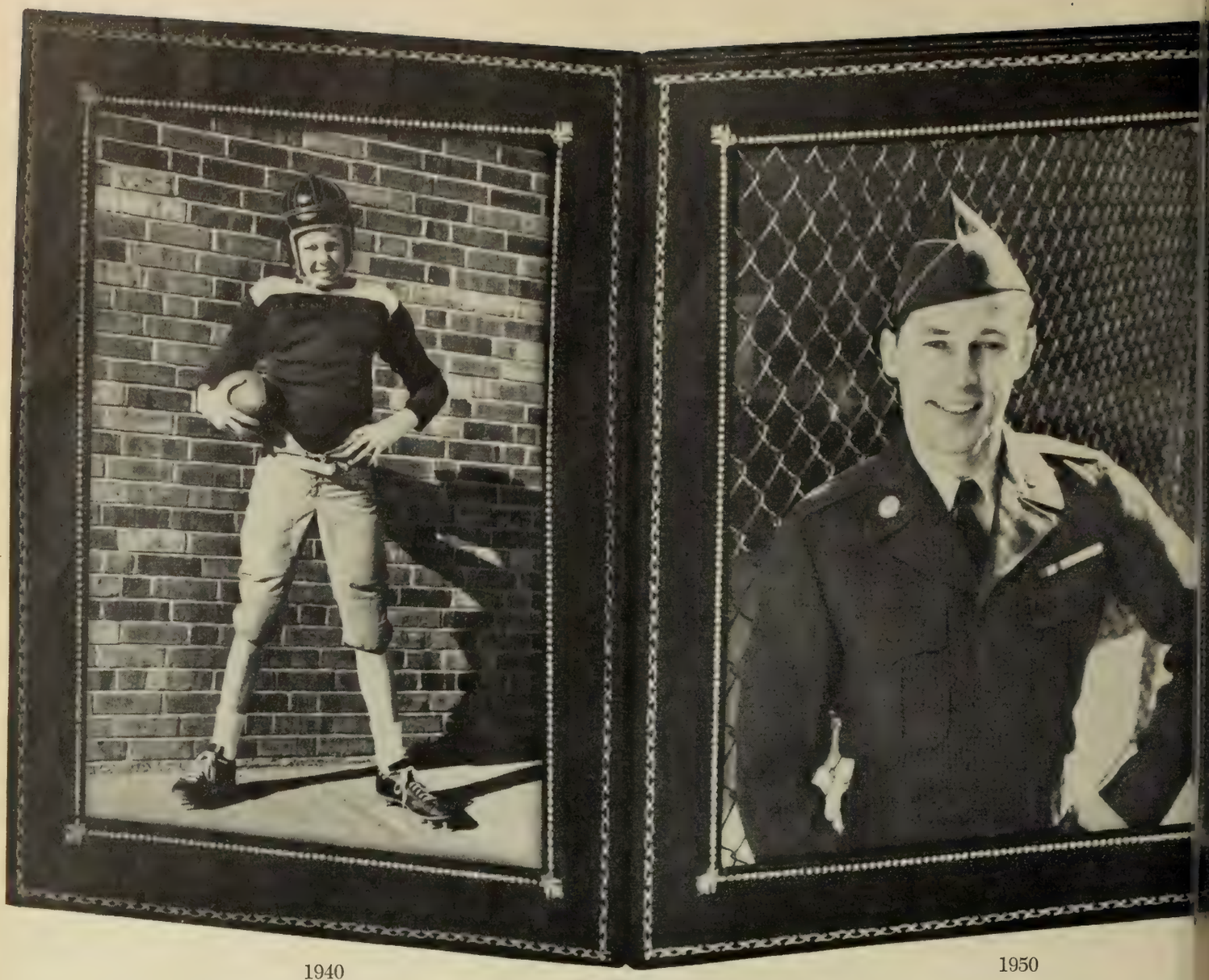


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THE LIGHT THAT NEVER FAILS

A boy and his father make the grade

By Camilla R. Bittle



Ray Richards turned in the drive and headed toward the back of the house. Spring was doubling the lawn with green, and he knew he would have to do something about the yard before it washed away. He wondered where he would find the time, for there was trouble in his house.

He could hear the voices of his two small daughters in the kitchen, helping Martha get supper. But the trouble wasn't in the kitchen; it was upstairs in Eddie's room. It was spread all over the top of his desk, and on the card table, and crammed into his closet. It was trouble made of plastic and glue, small pieces of wood, rolls of wire, and the mass of paraphernalia that the boy accumulated for his projects. To date, he had made a tin can telephone, a crystal radio, a model of a B-29, complete with pipe cleaner pilot and crew. All of this was good constructive play for a 10-year-old, but it was play. All the boy did was play, and Ray and his wife were worried about it. One look at his report card would have been enough to worry anybody, and the whole thing worried Ray so much that he doubted his son's ability ever to use his mind. He was also beginning to doubt his own ability to do anything about it.

Ray was halfway up the back steps when he saw Eddie at the back of the lot, and he headed across the yard to see what the boy was doing. The property sloped away from the land next to theirs, and when it rained there was always a lot of wash. Ray had started a retaining wall, but it was slow going. He hadn't done any more than get the tile and cinder block and drive a couple of stakes.

"What's this?" he asked Eddie.

Eddie, crouching beside a ditch, sprang up. There was a look of hope on his face, but it began to die the minute he saw his father's irritation.

"It's an irrigation ditch," he said. "It's going to rain." He nodded at the sky. Black clouds were piling up. "I figured if I laid the tiles at an angle, they'd catch all the water that rolls down from over there, and if I ran it out in three directions it would hit most of the garden, instead of running back over the lawn." Eddie started along one of the shallow trenches he'd dug, and pointed out the dam he had made.

Ray's glance traveled along the line of tile. He sighed. Those trenches must have taken all day to dig.

"How about your homework?" he said.

Eddie groaned. "I've got plenty of time."

"You haven't got as much time as you think you have. Until you have a better report card, you do your homework before you even think of anything else. You're darn lucky to have a teacher who thinks enough of you to give you extra help. When's she coming over?"

"About eight."

"Well, get cleaned up, and get to work."

He watched his son cross the grass, head down, hands rammed into his dungarees. Ray's only comfort at the moment was that Eddie's teacher was willing to tutor him two nights a week. Just even that was disturbing. He ought to have the patience to tutor his own son. Thunder rumbled in the distance, and he started toward the house.

It was still thundering at eight o'clock, and the sky was black. Martha had turned on the lights for Mrs. Howell, and now was finishing the dishes. The two little girls were tucked in, and Ray and Eddie were at the dining table with a pile of books between them.

Maybe I can get him started. Ray thought, and he asked to see Eddie's assignment book with a brisk cheerfulness that didn't fool either of them. Eddie flipped it open and shoved it across the table, and that is as far as they got when they heard a car in the drive, delivering Mrs. Howell.

"Now you and Mrs. Richards go on," she told Ray. "Eddie and I can work much better with you out of the house. Now," she said, turning to Eddie, "let's see. What have you done today?"

"I worked out a system for irrigating the garden," Eddie said.

"Is that so?" Mrs. Howell's voice sounded breathless with amazement, and Ray noticed the flash of joy in Eddie's eyes as he began to tell her about it. As he and Martha retreated to the porch, he could hear his son's voice filled with an eagerness that he seldom heard, and for some reason it hurt.

"Come on," he said, "let's walk around the block. I'll get the flashlight."

"I think it's going to rain," Martha said.

"Not for a while," he said. "Come on. I need to stretch."

They walked silently, thinking about their son. "Why won't he study? Why won't he try?" Ray always asked Martha, and Martha, in a voice that meant to soothe, but that really sought reassurance, always replied, "Mrs. Howell says to give him time. He's got a good mind."

They were halfway around when it started to sprinkle. Ray took Martha's hand and they began to run; suddenly, there was a crack of thunder overhead, and then the rain came.

He pulled her along, cutting through the back of the lot, running faster with the rain soaking them, plastering their clothes to their backs. As they came toward the back of the house, the beams from the flashlight picked out the first of Eddie's irrigation ditches. Water was racing along the channel, as controlled a stream as Ray had ever seen in any curb or gutter.

He stopped suddenly, and thought, *he took part in this.* It streamed over his face and shoulders, it ran down the insides of his pant legs, it drenched him with a cold, sprung freshness.

Martha tugged at him. "Come on," she cried.

"No," he shouted jubilantly, "not yet. Look."

He swung the beam of the flashlight along the first ditch, and then, sloshing through muddy water, he picked out the second and the third. The system was working perfectly. "It's Eddie's waterworks," he said. "Look honey, he had it all worked out exactly right. My gosh, if he can come up with something like this on his own. . . ."

He looked at Martha, flashing the light across her face for just an instant to see if she understood the momentous thing that lay at their feet. Then they made a dash for the house, bounding up the back steps and into the kitchen. Pushing through the swinging door and into the dining room, Ray stopped and stared at his son.

"Why, Mr. Richards," Mrs. Howell said, "you're soaked to the skin. What happened?"

"I've been outside studying an irrigation system, a perfectly designed one."

She laughed. "Well, I hope you learned something for all your trouble."

Ray Richards looked at his son and grinned. "Mrs. Howell," he said, "that irrigation system taught me more than you'd ever imagine." END

NEXT MONTH: The story of an overprotective mother—and what it can do to a father and his son.



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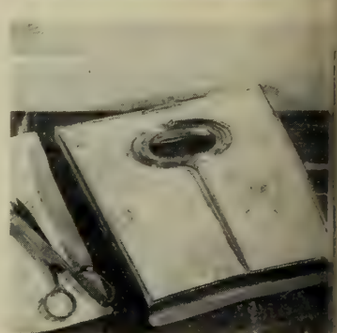
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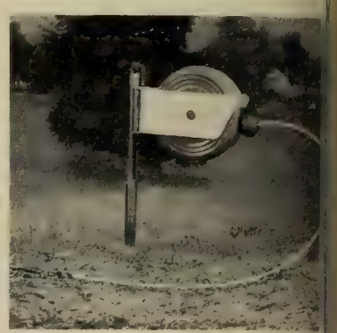
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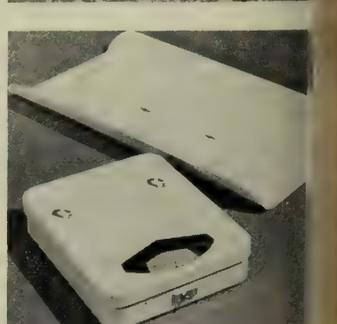
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The eight best trees to replace the elm

The American elm, so thickly planted in the past, is now facing possible extinction. Disease has spread rapidly from tree to tree until entire areas are completely bare. Many kinds of trees must be used in replanting, so the failure of a single variety will not be so strongly felt. No tree is free from insect or disease damage, but an occasional spraying will control most troubles. Here are eight desirable shade trees that have proven their worth.

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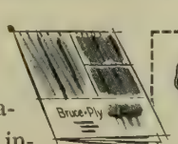


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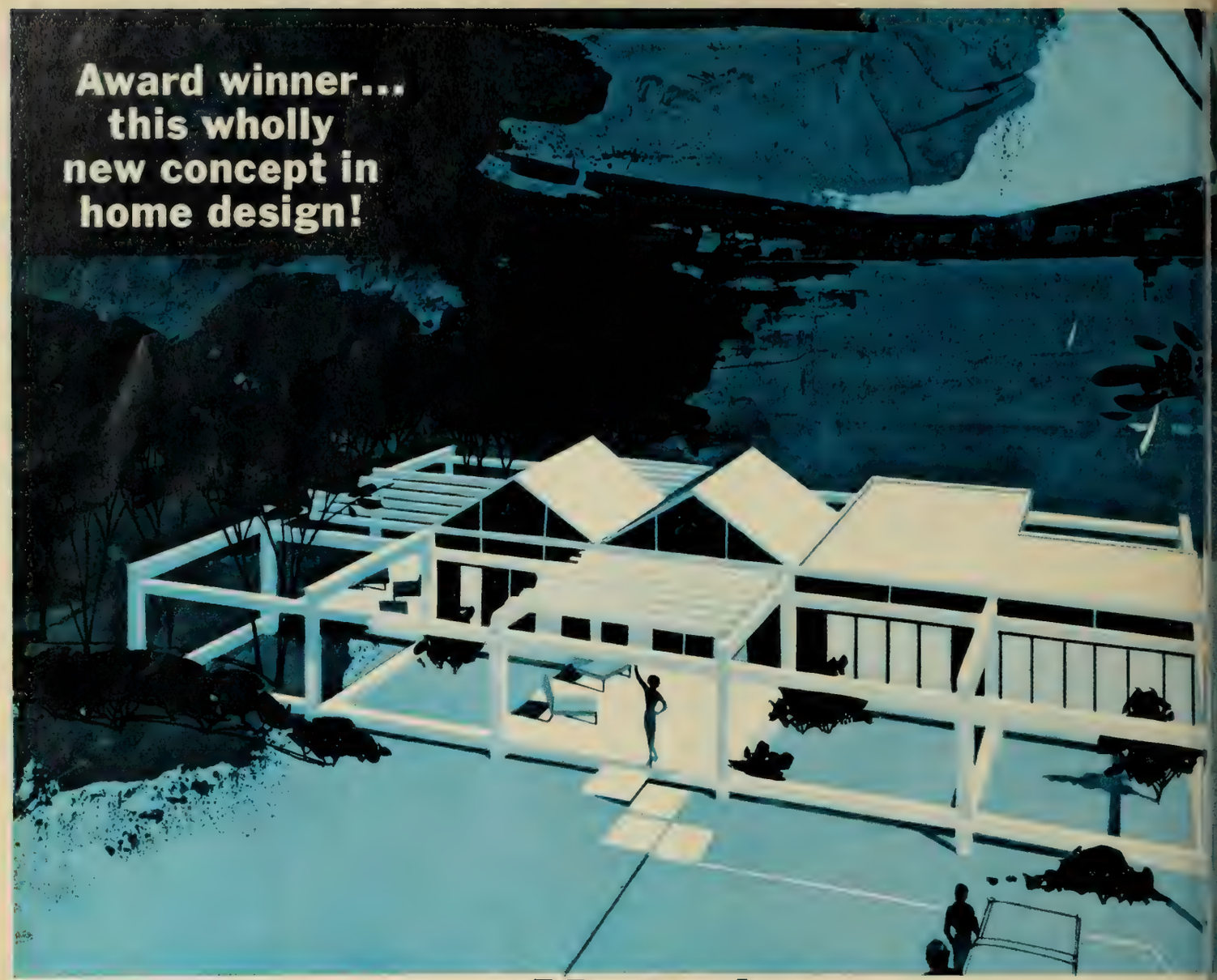
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Some 40 thousand people visited the "Space Frame" model home on Cape Cod and came away intrigued. This home offers not only modern charm and comfort, but a flexibility in living plans never achieved before.

Key to it all is the concrete frame divided into 16-foot x 16-foot open, cube-like units which can individually be roofed, walled and floored. You can start with 15 units as in the model home here—or with as few as 2 or 3. Add as many as you wish, when you wish, in any arrangement of rooms, open or covered courts, terraces and gardens.

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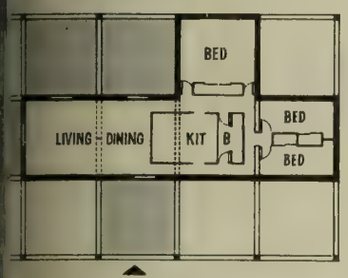
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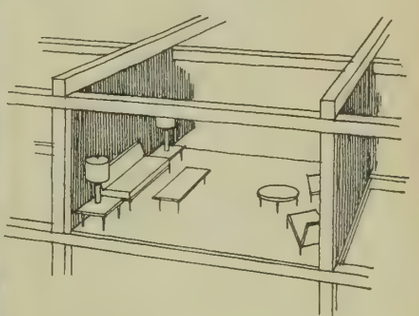


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s the arrangement shown here.
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Enter with a dramatic flair across a broad, open terrace, formed here by one of the basic "Space Frame" units. On the concrete floor, of 2-ft. x 16-ft. panels, a pleasing light-and-shadow pattern is created by overhead beams.





Heart of the "Space Frame" concept is basic 16-ft. x 16-ft. unit of construction (called a "module") shown in diagram. Any number of these can be linked together and enclosed in any pattern desired to create living areas.

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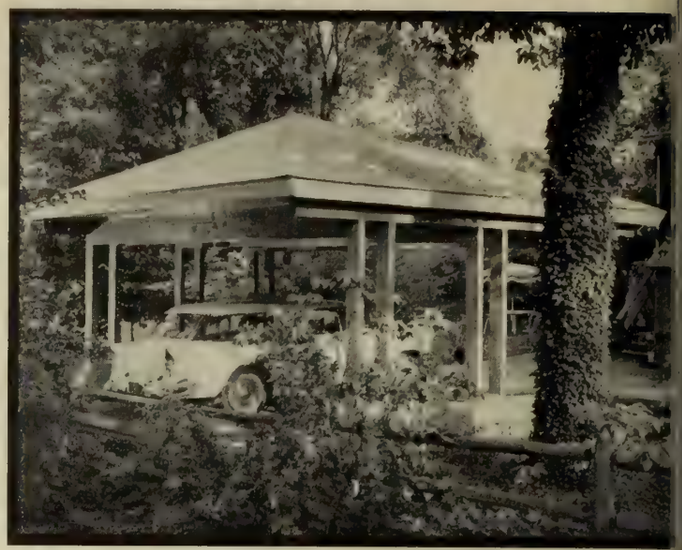
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Stones are 3 inches thick and 18 inches in diameter. 3-inch layer of sand is placed under the stones to gi firm support and provide drainage.

Photograph: Bourdon Landscape Architects: Bishop and Walker. Data: Helen G

How to stop money leaks in your family checking account

Consider whether the bank you deal with—or plan to is right for your type of account and the way you use Some banks charge several dollars for a box of imprint checks; others charge nothing. One bank may allow y twenty checks a month at no charge if your balance sta above $200. But another in the same neighborhood may allowing unlimited checks in the same circumstances.

Limited checking plans save money if you write or a few checks each month—but they cost more than a norm account if you write many. Limited plans can be awkwa and costly in emergencies; writing more checks than y have arranged for may subject you to an overdraft charg

Your bank may permit a certain number of free chec for each hundred dollars of your balance. Just a lit money added to your account to keep your balance hi enough may save you more in charges than it would dra in interest in a savings account.

Avoid writing unnecessary checks. When you spend dime on a check to pay a $5 phone bill, you add 2 per ce to the cost—which is the normal savings interest for h a year. Thus it might be worth-while to take all utili bills to a neighborhood payment center.

Overdrafts from forgetfulness or bad arithmetic m bring costly penalties—or the unpleasantness of bounci checks. It's especially expensive to be charged seve penalties (of perhaps $1.50 each) for a series of small ov drawn checks. That's why you are wise to make out t stub first—and keep a running total of your balance every time you write a check.

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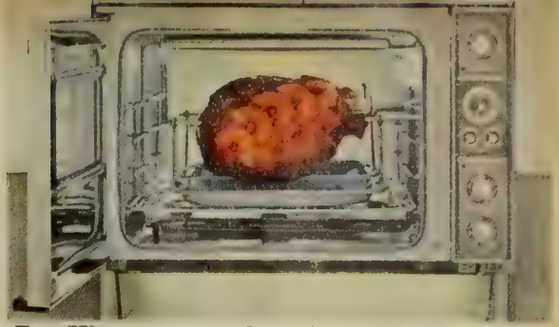
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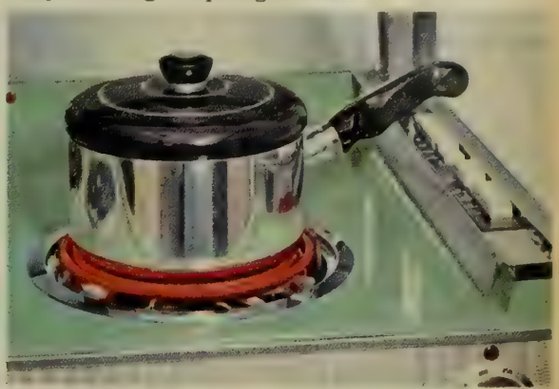
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ee what an island can do r a big kitchen

is kitchen could have been a step-waster, but it's trim d efficient. The trick is the location of the island; it ides the floor space so that all meal preparation is con- ed to a small, less tiring area (right).

On the other side, there's space for washer and dryer ey're concealed behind those work counter doors to the t of the island) and a small laundry sink.

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decorative screen om odds and ends

rdboard tubing of various sizes was cleverly used to make is divider screen in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Kriss Haig, verly Hills, California. The tubing was sawed into 1½- h sections, then glued together within a wood frame. e screen is eight feet high; each panel is 18 inches wide. After gluing, the cardboard rounds were spray-painted d wood frame lacquered to match room's color scheme. veral panels can be hinged together for a larger screen.

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To build this divider, nail a 2x4 to the floor and one to the ceiling. Four upright 2x4s, one on either end and two in the center, complete the framing. Nail a sheet of plywood on each side of the frame, add trim boards, and the job's done. If you plan a 4-foot-wide wall and your house has normal-height ceilings, 4x8 sheets of plywood can be used without cutting.

The Dodds went beyond this and added a $19.95 unfinished desk. They also put an electrical outlet in the new divider.

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Are there advantages to joint tenancy?

As a method of transferring property in case of your death, joint tenancy is not a proper substitute for a will. But for small estates, it can often be useful because it is convenient, easily understood, and rapid in execution.

The basic fact to know about joint tenancy is that your joint tenant automatically and immediately takes over all jointly held property *regardless of what your will directs*. This can eliminate red tape, but it can also cause confusion.

Take the case of George Rogers. George decided to will to his son "his half" of some securities held in joint tenancy with his wife. But when he checked with his lawyer, George was surprised to find he could not leave jointly held property to someone other than his joint tenant. What's more, the entire value of the securities would be included in George's taxable estate if he died, because his wife couldn't show she had contributed to the purchase with her own funds. Under the supervision of his attorney, George was able to take care of all the necessary corrections.

Childless couples often reason that if they hold things in joint tenancy, the death of one automatically gives full and immediate possession of all property to the other (an obvious convenience). But they should also face the possibility of death in a common accident. In a turnpike crash that killed them both, a wife survived her husband by just a few hours. Thus she was technically in possession of the joint property; when she died, all that property was awarded to *her* relatives. They had planned to divide their goods between the two families, but joint tenancy and the absence of wills upset their intentions.

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Here's a garden gate you'll never have to struggle with

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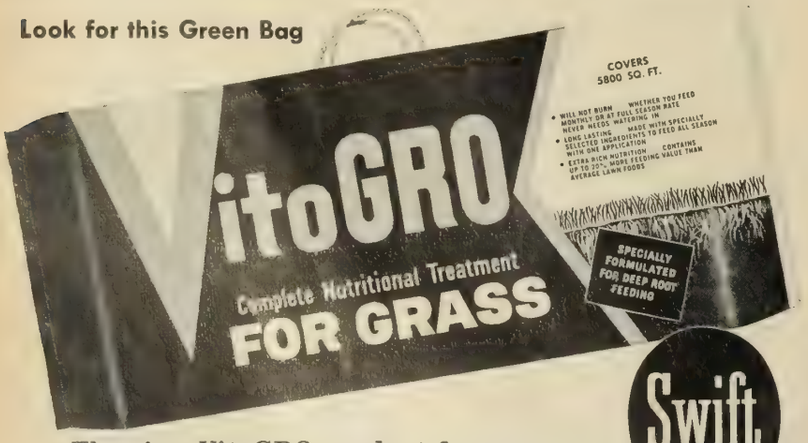
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Photograph: Hop

Photograph: George de Gennaro



An outdoor water faucet can be made attractive

Make your outdoor water service a part of your garden b providing a dry, stone-filled pocket to catch the drip, ar prevent a mudhole. Add decorative plants.

Here, an extended water faucet was decorated with twi ing star jasmine. The loose aggregate spillway beneath provides a neat storage area for coiled garden hose.



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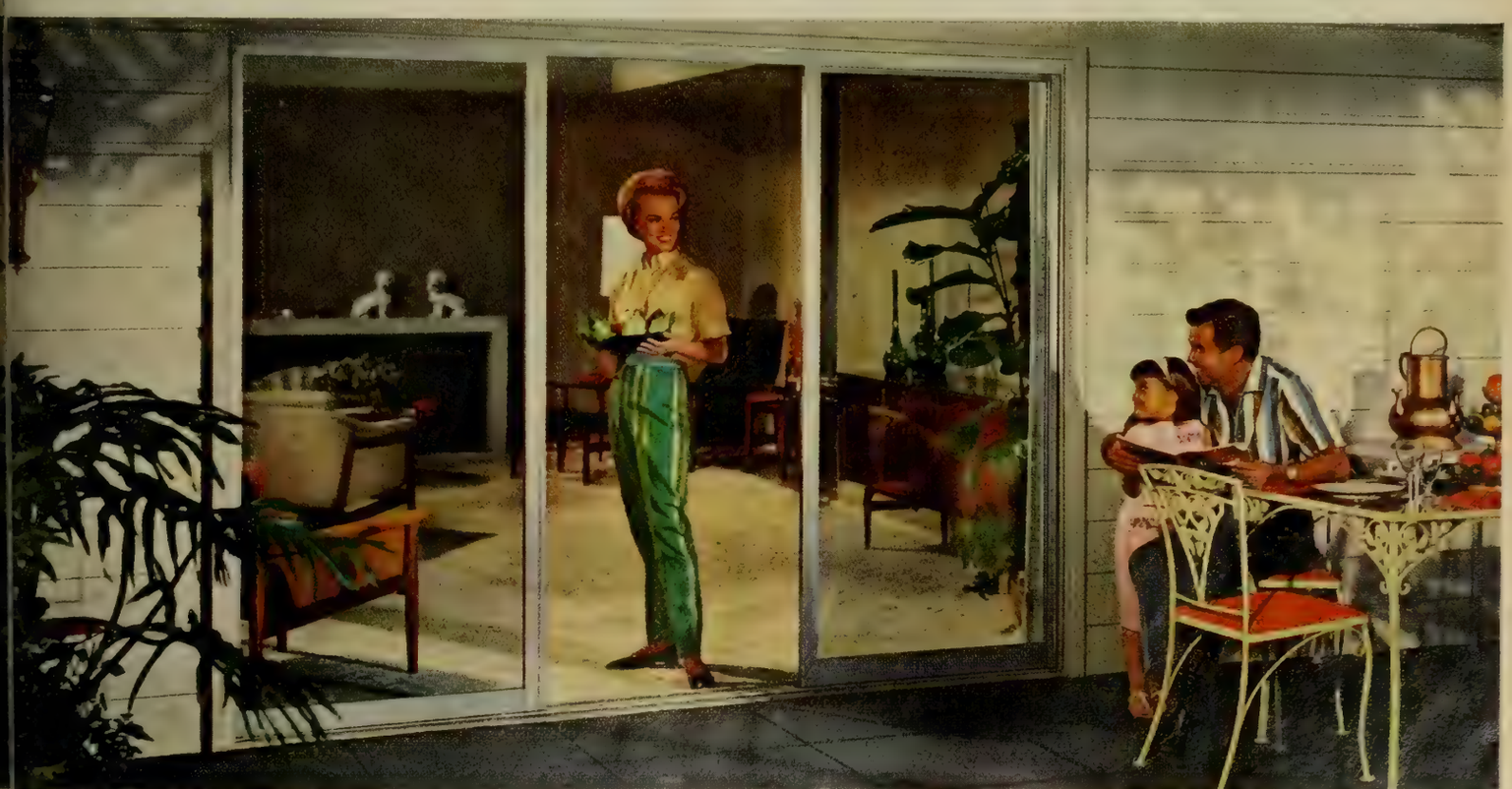
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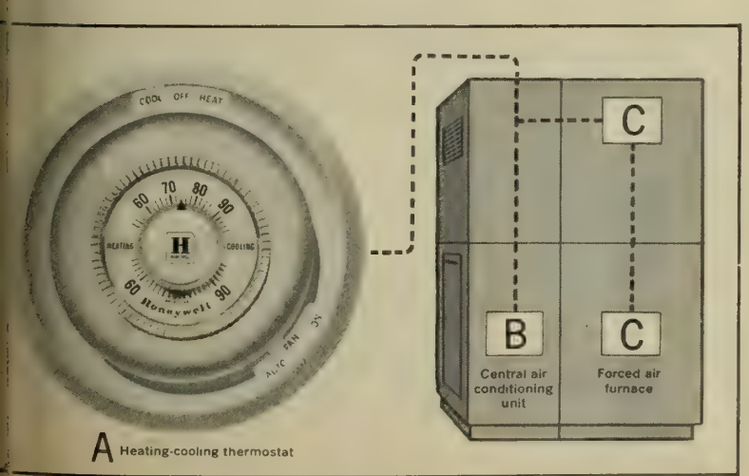


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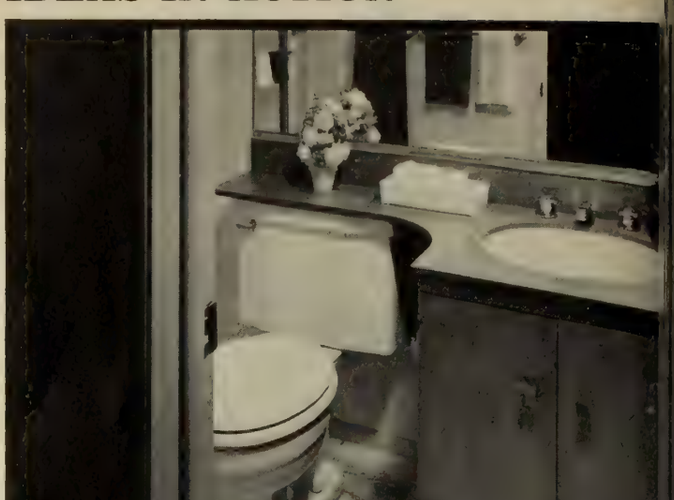
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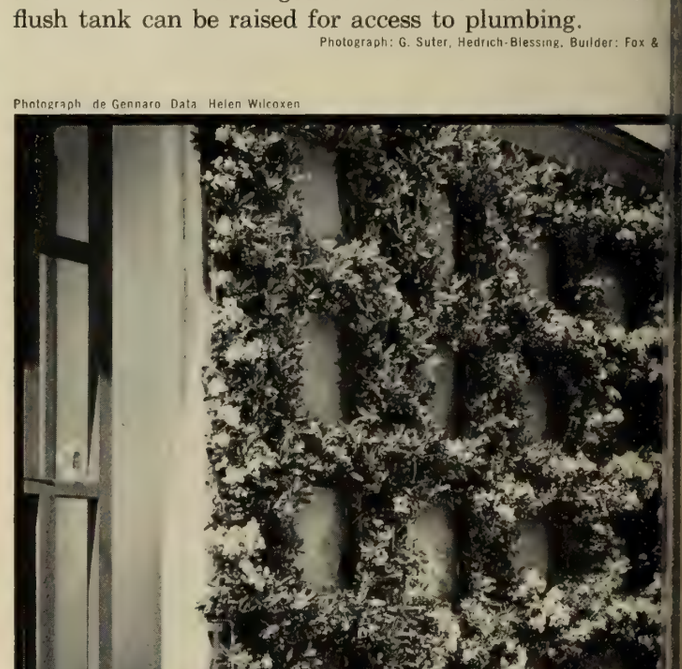
More storage and better looks in the same bathroom space

The vanity top on this bathroom lavatory extends over flush tank to provide extra counter space and elimin the chopped-up look of separate fixtures. Under-the-s storage makes use of otherwise wasted space.

The counter top was made of one piece of plastic lamin and then cut and hinged so that the extension over flush tank can be raised for access to plumbing.

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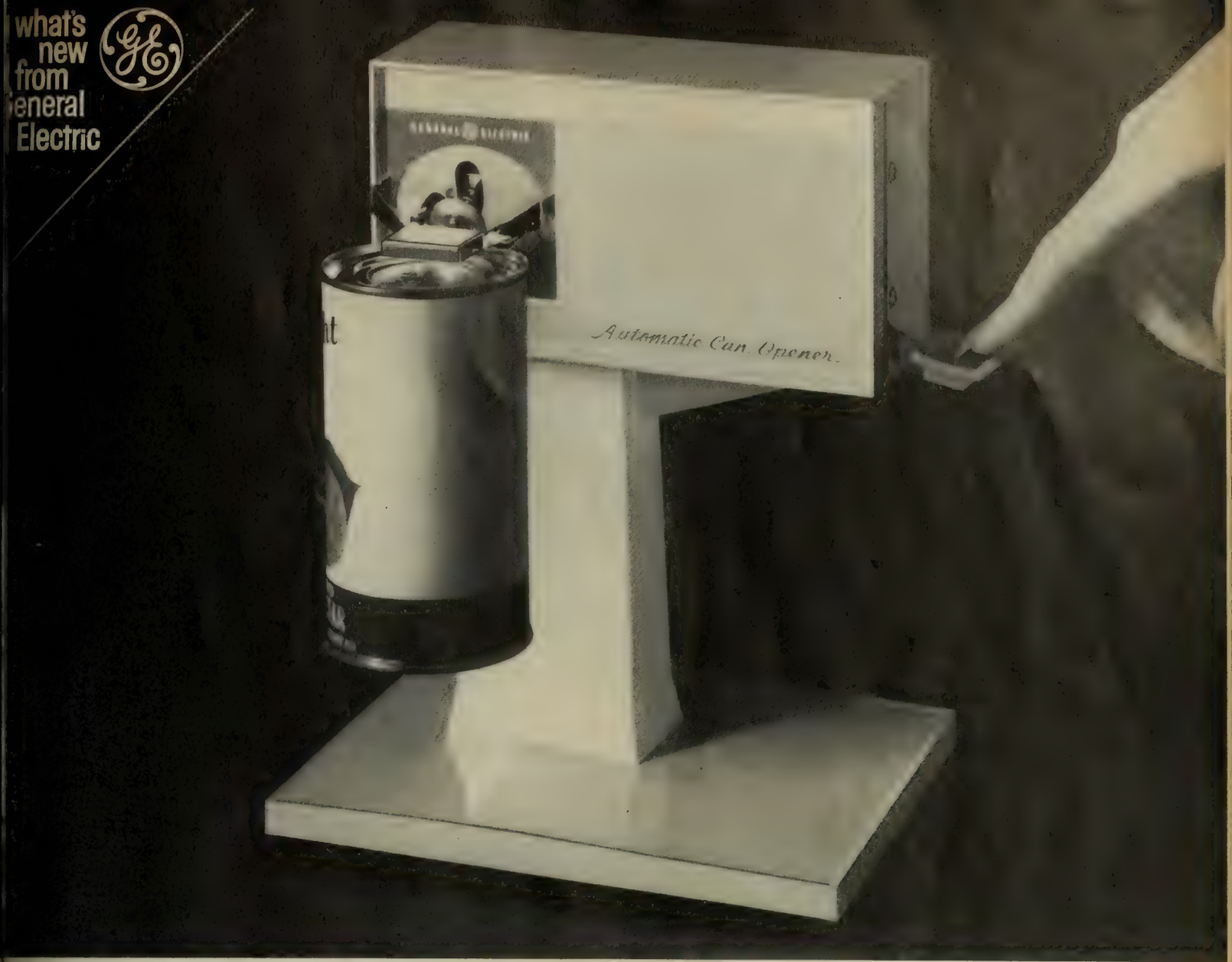


One good way to dress up a big, blank wall

Dr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Bray used beautiful espalie pyracantha to relieve the plainness of a large wall at t home. The plants were set from 5-gallon cans and trai to a trellis of 1-inch redwood strips.

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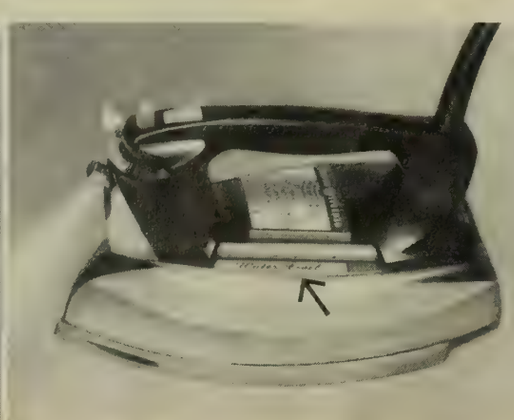
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Movable carport storage cabinets offer more flexibility

Wheels mounted under carport storage cabinets? Why not? With them, the units can easily be pushed aside for access to back yard, patio, or for general cleanup.

The units, shown here, are normally located in the rear of the carport. But with heavy-duty machine casters beneath them, they're easily moved. These cabinets are 81 inches wide, 72 inches high, and 30 inches deep.

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A family journal is your best memory aid

A systematic household journal—kept weekly or daily like a ship's logbook—remembers all this for you:

Taxes and insurance. You have complete data on tax payments, refunds, insurance claims, dates and amounts of policy renewal premiums.

Repairs and maintenance. Your journal tells how long the house paint lasted; how well a brake-lining job or new tires held out on the car; how often the TV man came.

Health. You know which children got what shots when. The journal lists medical and dental visits—including work done, medicine prescribed, and treatment recommended.

Purchases. Where's the shop that sold you the antique lamp? Which inn served that delicious blueberry shortcake? What did you pay for the Mexican glassware? Your journal records it all.

Garden and weather. You list the take-in, take-out times for potted plants; planting times; dates of first and last frost; potting formulas; how far below zero it got last winter and when; and what the cold snap did to the roses.

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How to eat in a different language

At home or abroad, even a slight knowledge of common foreign menu terms may make a big difference in your eating pleasure—or at least in your feeling of savoir-faire.

German-Austrian Menu Terms

Äpfelsaft Apple juice
Bauernfrühstück A fried dish of bacon, onions, eggs, and potatoes; means "farmers' breakfast"
Brot Bread
Eier Eggs
Erbsen Peas
Gemüse Vegetables
Gemischter Salat Mixed salad
Goulasch mit Nockerln Meat stew with dumplings
grüne Bohnen Green Beans
Gurken Cucumbers
Huhn Chicken
Kalbsbraten Roast veal
Kalter Aufschnitt Cold cuts
Kartoffeln Potatoes
Kuchen A cake, often coffeecake
Leber Knödelsuppe Broth with liver dumplings
Linzer Torte Hazelnut cake
mit Schlagsahne With whipped cream
Paprikahendel Paprika chicken, popular in Austria
Rind Beef
Rotkohl Red cabbage (kummelkraut is cabbage with caraway seeds)
Sacher Torte A rich chocolate cake
Sauerbraten Pot roast of beef which has been marinated before cooking
Schinken Ham
Spätzle A type of noodle made with flour
Strudel A pastry made by rolling and baking a paper-thin sheet of dough spread with a filling, usually of fruit
Torte Cake or tart
Wiener Schnitzel Veal cutlet, usually breaded
Würst Sausage

Spanish Menu Terms

arroz con pollo Chicken with rice —properly translated rice with chicken
camaron Shrimp
chupe A thick soup or stew, made with various ingredients, but usually fish
cocido A stew of meat and vegetables
empanada Small pastry filled with any sort of filling, often meat
escabeche A pickled dish containing fish, meat, or poultry
flan A classic Spanish dessert of baked custard, often with caramel sauce
frijoles Beans
garbanzos Chick-peas
gazpacho A cold dish of raw vegetables; a cross between a soup and a salad
guacamole A mixture of mashed avocado, onion, spices and lemon juice
guisado A national stew usually containing meat, vegetables
helado Ice cream; also used to describe any frozen dish
horchata A cold milky drink flavored with almond syrup
huevos Eggs
leche Milk
maíz Corn
mantequilla Butter; butter cake
paella The classic Spanish rice dish made with chicken, sea food, and vegetables
pescado Fish
tallarines Noodles

French Menu Terms

à la carte To order from a menu that lists prices dish by dish
au gratin Any dish topped with bread crumbs or cheese, then browned
baba A rich yeast-raised cake, often flavored with rum or fruit juice
beurre Butter
bisque A thick, rich soup containing fish or game
blancmange A flavored milk pudding, thickened with cornstarch, flour, or gelatin
bouillabaisse A thick fish soup, combination of many sea foods
brioche A feathery, rich yeast roll known by its topknot
cassoulet A stew of goose or duck with pork, lamb, and butter beans
Châteaubriand A thick, high-quality steak; also a flavorful brown sauce
coquilles St. Jacques Scallops
coq au vin Chicken in red wine sauce
crêpe suzette A thin, sweet pancake usually served rolled with orange sauce
croissant A rich and flaky crescent-shaped roll
en brochette Broiled on a skewer, kabob-style
escargots Snails, often served in the shell
fromage Cheese
gâteaux Cakes
garni Garnished, stuffed, or decorated
glace Ice cream
haricots verts Green beans
jambon Ham
jardinière Containing vegetables
légume Vegetable
macédoine de fruits Fruit salad, a mixture of chopped fruits
oeufs Eggs
pain Bread
petite marmite A classic soup made of beef, chicken, vegetables, and toasted bread
poisson Fish
pommes de terre Potatoes
poulet Chicken
pot-au-feu The national family soup, beef and vegetables cooked slowly together
pots de crème A delicate custard in various flavors, often chocolate, served chilled in little cups
profiterole A cream puff filled with ice cream and topped with sauce. Or filling could be a meat mixture
quiche Lorraine A savory custard tart with bacon, onions, and cheese
ragoût A highly seasoned stew of meat and vegetables
table d'hôte To order from a menu that lists complete meals at fixed prices
vol-au-vent A puff pastry shell filled with various mixtures

Italian Menu Terms

agnèllo Lamb
antipasto Assorted appetizers, the first course of the Italian meal
bistecca Beefsteak
bròdo Clear soup or broth
cacciatora Means "hunter style," usually a chicken dish cooked in tomatoes, oil, and wine
cannoli Pastry shells filled with sweetened ricotta cheese or pudding mixture, sometimes served frozen
cassata A rich mixed Italian ice cream dessert
dolci Sweets or desserts
fagiolini Green beans
gelato Ice cream or sherbet
gnocchi Dumplings made of wheat or potato flour
granita Italian ice, sherbet
grissini Long, thin bread sticks
legumi Vegetables
marinari Means "sailor style"; a spicy meatless tomato sauce
melanzana alla parmigiana Eggplant baked with Parmesan cheese and tomatoes
minestrone A thick vegetable soup
ossi buchi Braised veal shanks
pane Bread
panettone A fruit-filled cake made with yeast
pasta Any macaroni products lik spaghetti, noodles, etc.
pasta asciutta Pasta with a sau
pesce Fish
pesto Green sauce of herbs, garli
pollo Chicken
pomidoro Tomato
polènta A thick corn-meal mush often served with sauce, gravy, or stew
Prosciutto A highly flavored, peppery ham, sliced paper thin
risotto A savory rice dish
scaloppine Thin slices of meat, usually veal
scampi Shrimp
uova Eggs
vitèllo Veal
zabaglione A foamy egg dessert flavored with wine, cooked over hot water
zuppa inglese A soft rum cake

Danish Menu Terms

Aeblegrød Applesauce
Agurkesalat Cucumber salad
Appelsinsaft Orange juice
Boller Dumplings, balls
Brød Bread
Fløde Cream
Kylling Chicken
Laks Salmon
Pølse Sausage
Rødgrod Danish fruit dessert
Rødkaal Red cabbage
Sildesalat Herring salad
Smørrebrød Open-faced sandwiches
Sødsuppe Fruit soup
Svinekotelet Pork chop
Wienerbrød Danish pastry

Swedish Menu Terms*

ärtsoppa Pea soup
kåldolmar Stuffed cabbage
knäckebröd Crisp rye slices
köttbullar Meat balls
limpa Sweet rye bread
plättar med lingon Swedish pancakes with lingonberry sauc
smörgåsbord A luncheon or supper served buffet style and consisting of hors d'oeuvres, hot and cold meats, smoked and pickled fish, sausages, cheeses, salads, relishes and desserts

Norwegian Menu Terms

gjetost Goat's cheese
flabrød Flat bread, crisp thin unleavened slices

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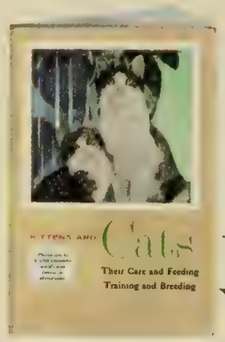
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Now the old built-in looks intentional

A built-in buffet is a dead giveaway that your house has been around awhile. But not so here! A coat of paint and shutters blend this valuable storage unit with other dated furnishings. Standard-size shutters were made to fit by setting them outside the opening frame rather than inside. When open, they reveal the useful buffet-bar.

Photograph: Warren Reynolds. Decorator: Gene Dawley, D.

How to crowd a lot of exercise into a little time

Nothing tires you out faster than the very thought of doing calisthenics at home. You already know why. Calisthenics are a bore.

But with a bar bell and adjustable weights, you can pack the equivalent of half an hour of calisthenics into 5 minutes of fast exercise. The trick is to use the weights to burn up calories quickly. You will lose weight—or, at least, redistribute it to best advantage—and this should be your goal rather than to build gigantic muscles.

Load the bar bell lightly at first so that 10 repeats of any exercise leave you puffing but not exhausted. As you strengthen, add weight whenever you can do 14 repetitions without fatigue. A weight so heavy that you cannot do 10 overstrains you; a too-easy weight puts you right back into the time-consuming routine of calisthenics.

Side benefits of the exercises are a feeling of well-being and a sharp increase in energy. Persons with medical problems may not be able to do weightlifting, however, but check with a physician before starting. But if you do not overstrain yourself, you can only benefit.

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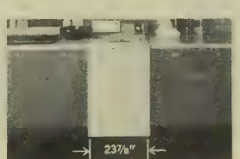
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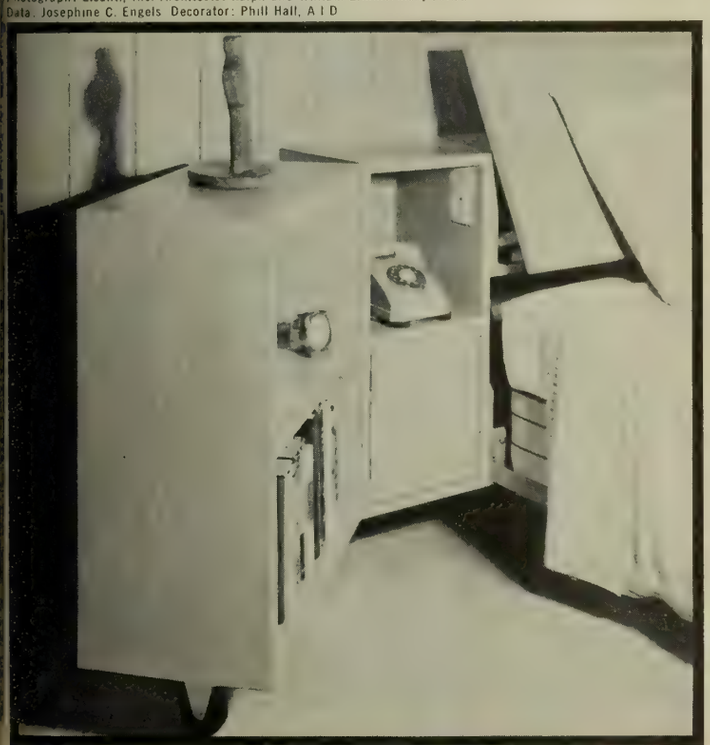
Here's a neat way to save space in a small den

This built-in corner table is supported by the walls on two sides and by a single leg on one corner. The table was built so that one of the beds would slide under it. This saves floor space and also makes the bedroom look like a sitting room.

You could try this in a den that doubles as a guest bedroom or in a bedroom with an extra bed.

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A headboard full of convenience

"All the comforts of home" takes on new meaning when you have de luxe touches like this headboard. It's in the home of the Lawrence B. Lehmans, Sarasota, Florida.

The bookcases (there's one on the other side of the bed, too) are on casters and pull closed to make bedside tables. The hinged headboard adjusts to two different positions for reading in bed.

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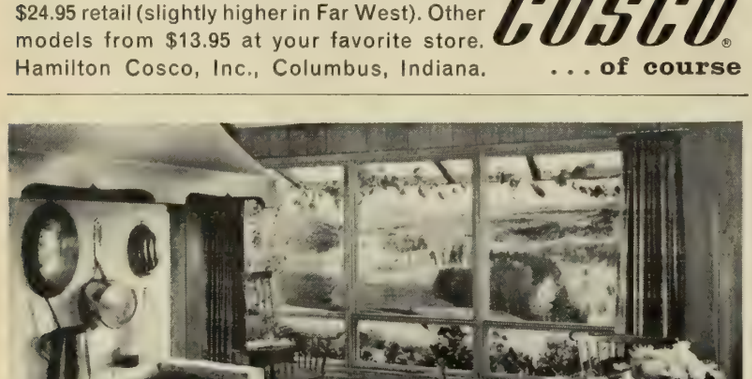
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Here's how to figure out what interest rate you're paying

The handiest method is one endorsed by the Federal Re serve Board. It takes three steps:

1. Multiply the total charge for the credit (in dollars by the number of payments you will make in one yea Then multiply that figure by 2.

2. Add 1 to the *total* number of payments you are t make. Multiply that figure by the amount of credit (th loan or balance after down payment) in dollars.

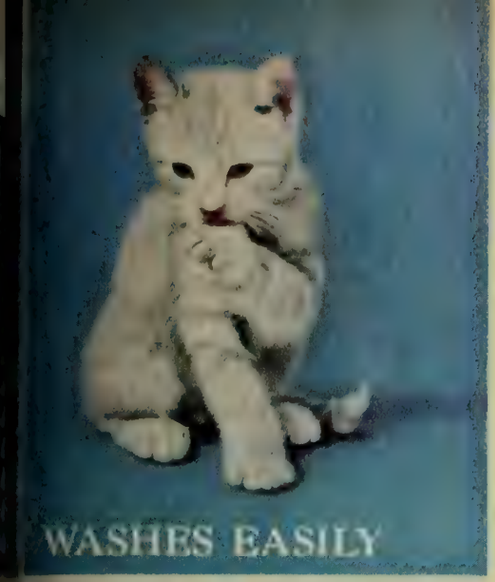
3. Divide the result of Step 1 by the result of Step 2 t find the actual rate of simple interest.

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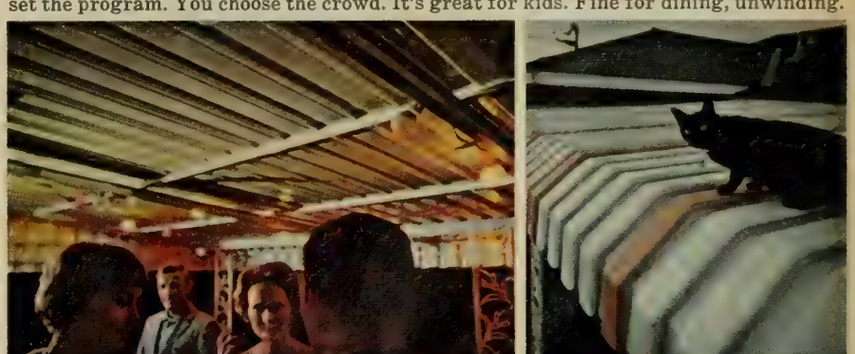
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Here's the best cleaning aid any house can have!

We found this well-organized mud room outside the kitche entry in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Sturges. Th bench slab, covered with laminated plastic, is set over indi vidual shoe sections. Baseboard heating warms damp boots

Above the bench is a wall of perforated hardboard wit hooks to hold everything from coats to umbrellas. Th hooks can be adjusted to suit the height of each child.

Photograph: Warren Reynolds Architect: Arthur H. Dickey, A.I.

Even your younger children can learn to answer the phone

A small child has respect for the telephone. He is charme by its magic and will learn to use it properly, if properl instructed. And if he knows good procedure and etiquette even a preschooler can be a great help to his parents by an swering the telephone when they're busy.

A few simple rules should do the job:

First, show your child how to aim his voice directly a the mouthpiece and speak distinctly. Then supply him wit the words you want him to use:

"Smith residence. . . . Yes, sir, she's here. Just a moment I'll call her."

Or, for a different situation: "Smith residence. . . . No sir, he isn't here. Would you like to talk with Mother?"

In case anything unusual comes up, he should be told t say, "Just a moment, please," then gently lay down th phone and call an adult.

Before you authorize your youngster to answer a "live' call, you'll probably want to test him out with a numbe of practice calls, in which you play the part of the caller.

As he grows older, your youngster will be able to take message in your absence. To make it easier for him, plac pad and pencil beside the telephone. He'll enjoy the re sponsibility, and you'll benefit from the convenience.

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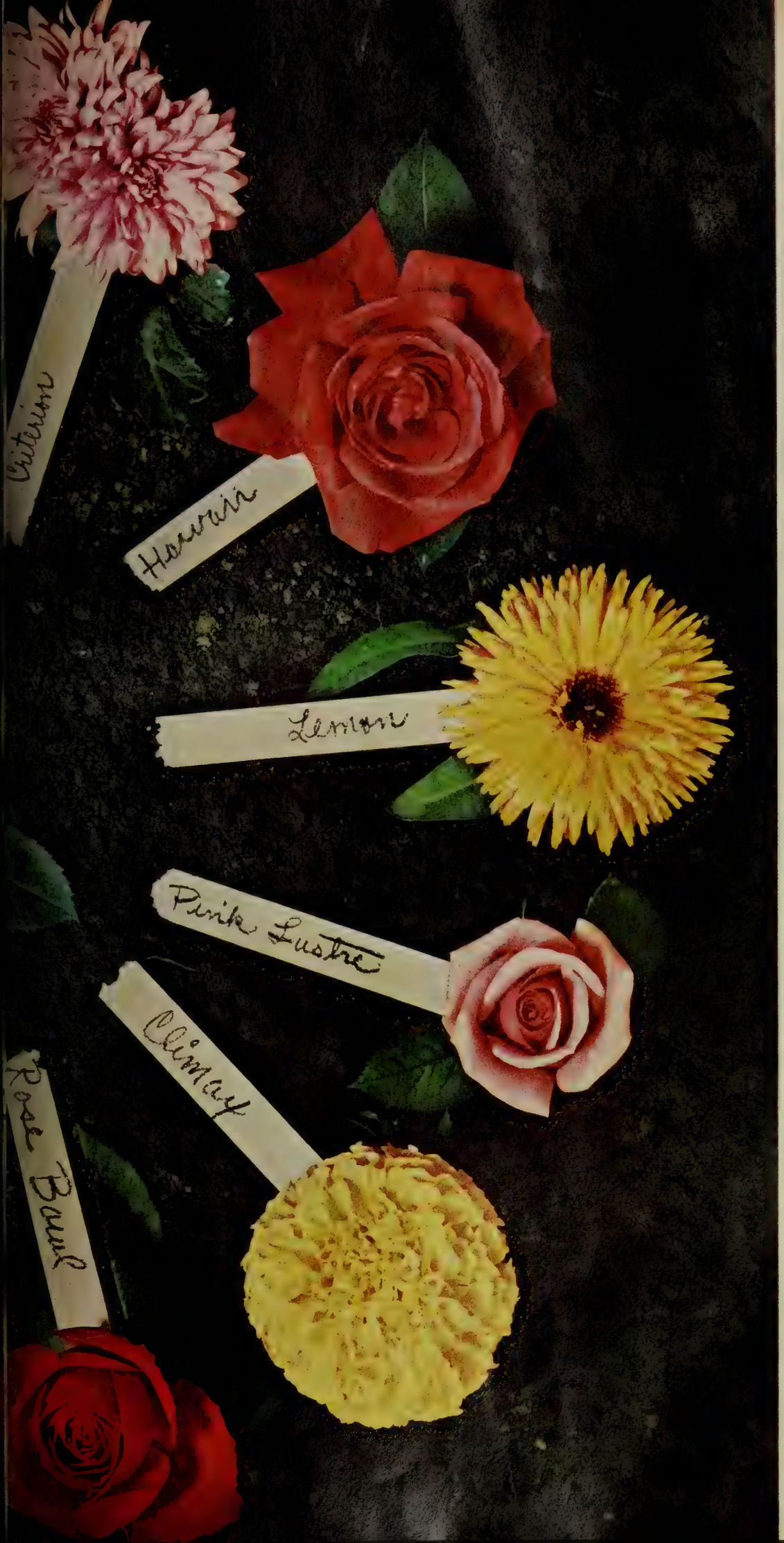
Color that grows and grows

You'll be amazed at what you can do with today's palette of garden color. Multihued blossoms increase in quantity as the season progresses until, in the fall, the garden comes to full glory.

Begin by planning your flower borders to scale on paper. This way, you'll know the exact colors, varieties, and flowering periods for a full season of bloom.



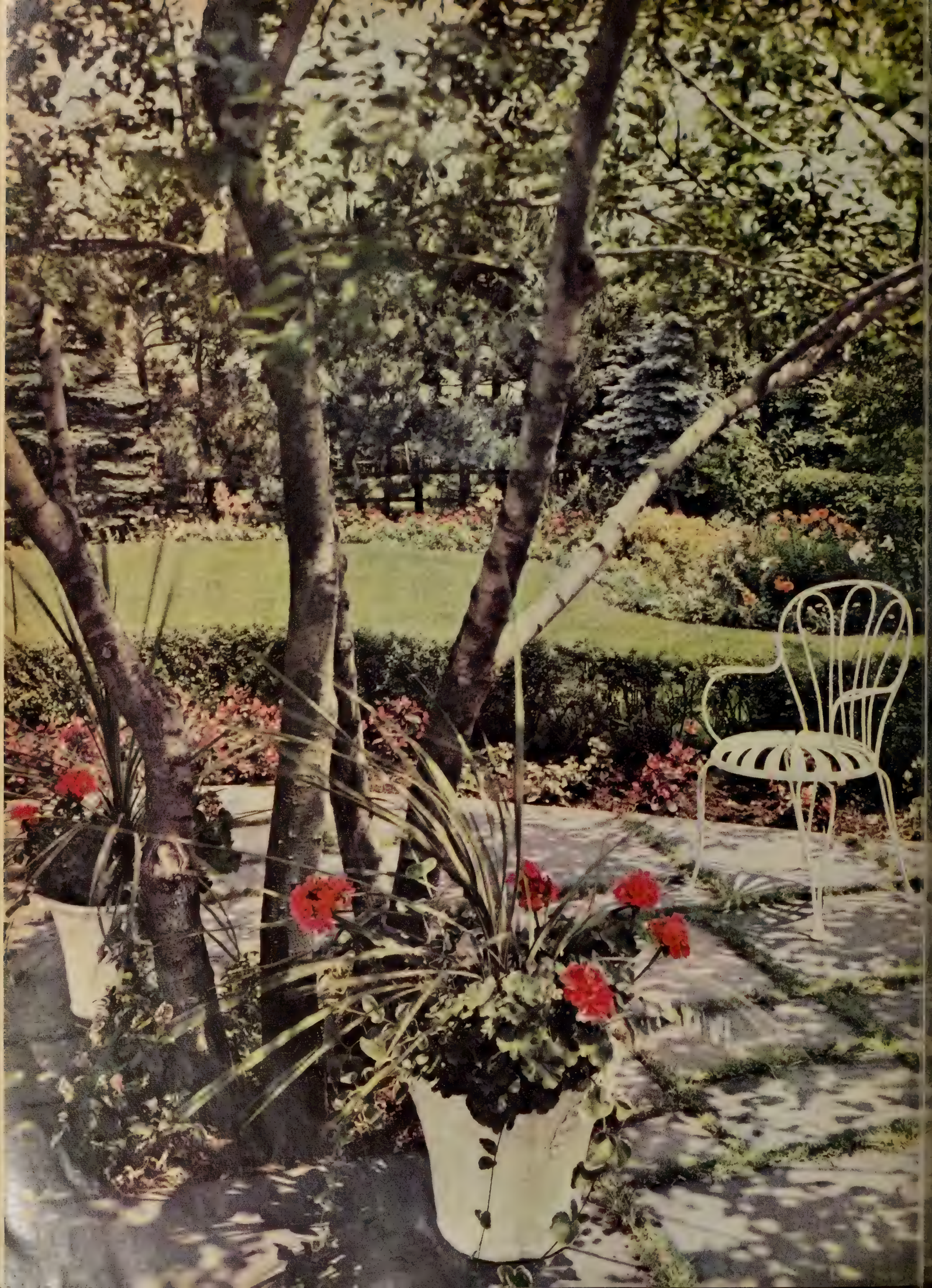
Hopkins



If you're the gay sort, you'll like the warm, advancing reds, oranges, and yellows of Happiness, Hawaii, and Arlene Francis roses. For cool receding colors, choose the lavenders of Criterion and Humdinger chrysanthemums.

Use color in the garden creatively, perhaps with a different scheme for each bed.

One of the most pleasing schemes is the use of a single color value, such as red roses against an evergreen hedge. Or try three or more distinct values of one color (tints and shades of it), by planting together such flowers as Lemon, Apricot, and Long Orange calendulas. For the best effect, have one predominant color. Uncontrolled combinations are distracting and, in the confusion, nothing stands out.



COLOR THAT GROWS AND GROWS

← *Only in the garden is the splendor of color so ever-changing. Picture yourself on this terrace, soaking up the beauty of it and of the distant border. Pansies, in the well of the multistemmed tree, and large pots of flowers add a colorful accent to the concrete paving.*
Lisanti

Cool, blue hydrangeas are perfect for the partially shaded border. Other blue flowers you'll want to plant are: China aster, campanula, and delphinium.
Groffman





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If you want to live comfortably, harmonize color of flowers with the house. Here, warm tones of iris Inca Chief and Gold Piece complement blue wall of home.



Photograph: Bill Hedrich, Hedrich-Blessing. Owners: Mr. and Mrs. Robert McPherson. Data: Jessie Walker

Pink Magic and White Magic petunias are a color scheme in themselves. And they'll bloom their heads off for months. Start them from seed or set out started plants.

COLOR THAT GROWS AND GROWS

Color effect can change with the seasons, too. When calendulas and snapdragons pass their prime, deep pink and white zinnias take over to bring a welcome change. For autumn, plant pink, purple, and white mums.

Spectacular Adelaide wax begonia, with its leaves looking as if they were dipped in red paint, captures the interest of everyone. For relief of color and texture, tall snapdragons were planted as a background.

Owners: Mr. and Mrs. James L. Mayer







tographs: de Gennaro. Landscape Architect: Joseph Copp, Jr. Owner: Mrs. Marie Keith Randell. Data: Martha Darbyshire

Third in a series of articles on arts and crafts

"Plastic" describes many man-made materials that look alike but are very different in composition. Some are unusable by home craftsmen because they are dangerous or require elaborate mechanical treatment.

Here, we have explored one particular form of thermoplastic that is nontoxic and safe to use at home. As you can see by the decorative and useful things shown, it has endless possibilities as a craft material.

All you need for a laboratory is plenty of space to work and a regular kitchen oven with a thermostat, to insure a constant temperature of 375°. Use the materials and methods we describe.

Except for the plastic pellets, which you must send for, the tools and colorants are ones you can find in your own home or your own town. Smooth foil pans (rectangles, squares, or rounds), copper wire, colored chalk, colored papers, pebbles, and glass nuggets, are just a few of the items you can use successfully.

PLASTICS from your OVEN

By Roxa Wright



The abstract owl was made in parts, formed separately in foil mo then fused. Papers and dyed pel give color, texture (how-to, page 1 Wire feet were heated, inserted.

Plastic people and cat at lower ri were made the same way. Sh across the bottom of the page i variety of textures, shapes, and col

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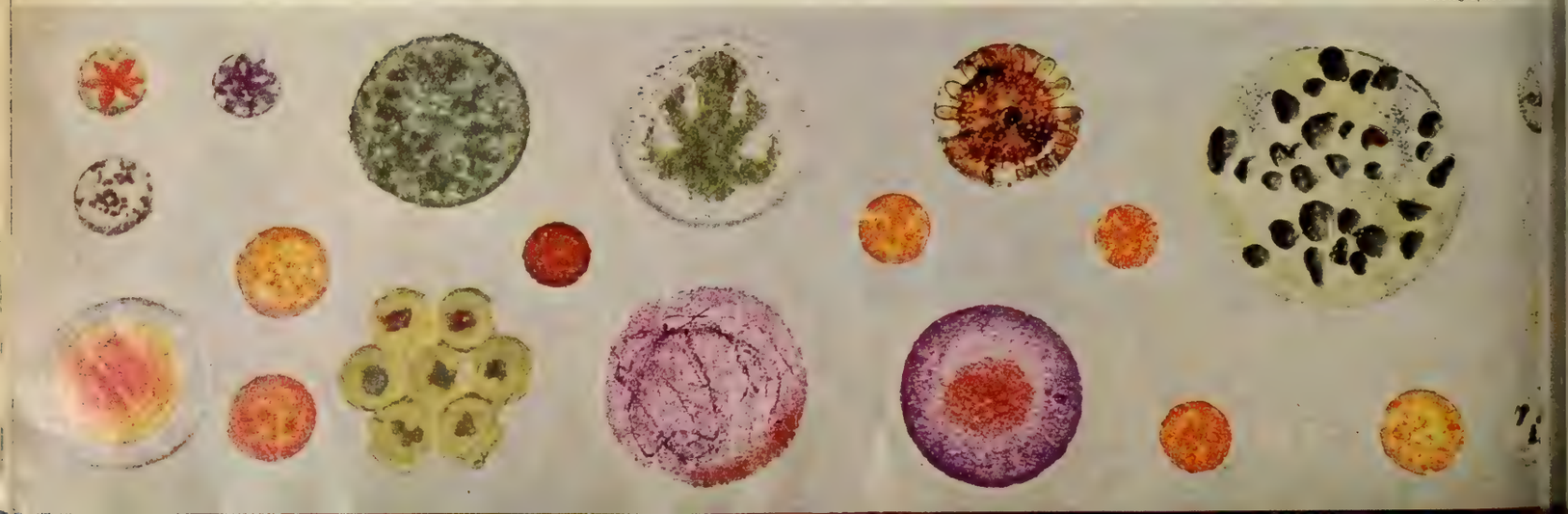






Table tops were each made of four pieces molded in 7-inch-square pans, then placed in wood frames and reheated with more pellets at joints. Frames were then mounted on inexpensive camp stool legs and painted.

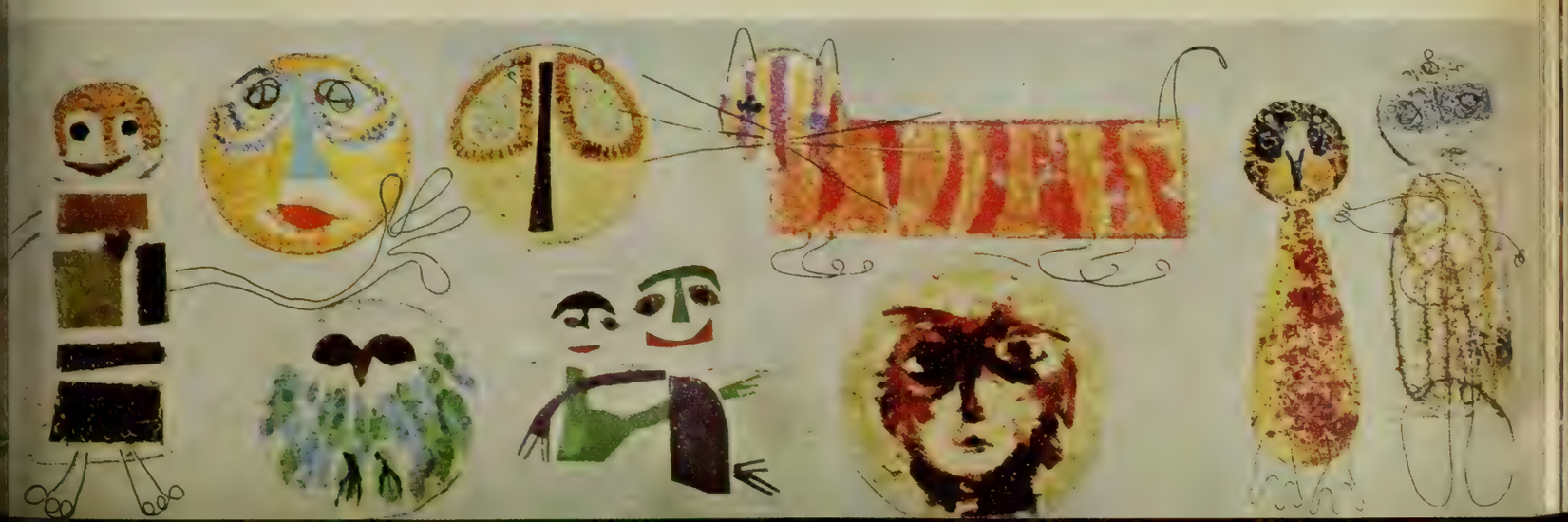
Hanging panel was made of clear molded ovals arranged in loaf pan, then barely fused with dyed pellets.

Room divider was molded in two sizes of flat disposable pans. Silhouettes were cut from gold foil wallpaper and embedded in pellets previously dyed in shades of green.

Both sides had additional pellets fused on lightly for texture. Screw eyes were heated and inserted to hold the chain.

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For details on ordering plastic pellets, write Editorial Information, BETTER HOMES & GARDENS, Des Moines 3, Iowa





Rugged, exciting-yet so relaxed

By John D. Bloodgood

Truly distinctive houses have a pronounced effect on people—it's either love at first sight or a flat "No thank you." This house, with its rugged, exciting interior and its simple, structural exterior is the kind that stimulates a strong reaction.

It would scoop in the beauty of any site just as it does this mountain lake setting at Tahoe Keys, California. Take a good look and see what happens to you!

More photographs on page 130



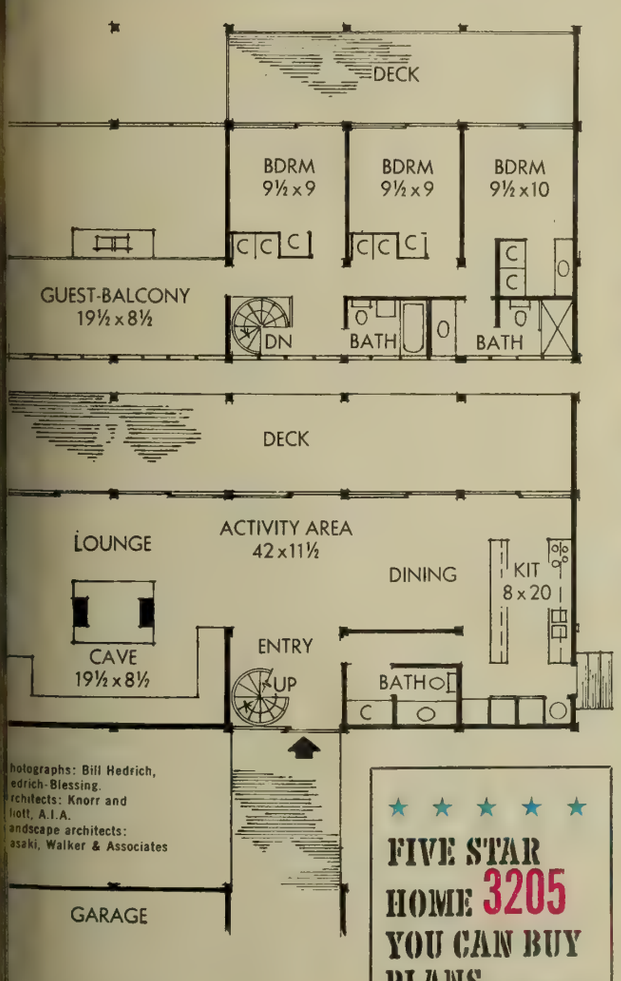
The dining table uses the part of the open activity area nearest the kitchen. This eating area contracts or expands as needed. Handsome furniturelike cabinets make kitchen activities and meal service extra enjoyable.



From the lounge, this house seems as big as the world beyond, for here, the room stretches the full two floors high. Outside, the deck's roof repeats the inside ceiling height, to continue the feeling of spaciousness.

The no-nonsense exterior is diagonally applied redwood siding. The lasts-for-years stain lets you forget the maintenance. Upright posts are 8x8s—they carry the 8x10 floor beams. Floor space is 1,690 square feet.





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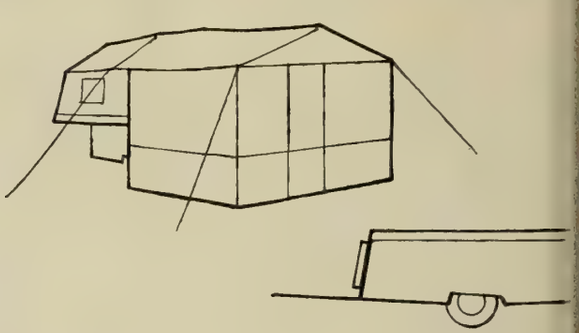
By William Barry Furlong

His gray eyes snapped exuberantly, and smiled with pleasure at the memory. "Saw t entire West last year," said Keith Brown of Vi Park, Illinois. He knocked gently on the side the gleaming metal camper-coach—a good-lu tap. "Nine thousand miles in five weeks. through Yosemite, Yellowstone, Jackson Ho Grand Canyon—you name it, we were the Seven kids, the wife, and myself. It cost us $3(maybe $350. Without the camper, we'd ha spent $50 or $60 a day just for food and a pla to stay."

Keith Brown's enthusiasm for home-on-whe vacationing is typical of many families the days. Brown is an engineer who quit engineeri after his camper-coach vacation to take up selli the vehicles. "If you're traveling by car," says, "just when you've got something beautit to see—like a sunset in the desert, or the comi of night in a pine forest— (*Turn to page 1*



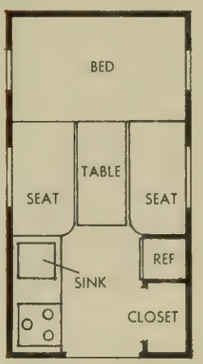
Simplest travel trailer is the kind that unfolds on a compact chassis



Camping trailers like this one go anywhere your can drive. Very easy to tow, they are designed be set up in minutes, without tools. This unit, whi sleeps four, is 11 feet wide when the two beds extended; it closes to 4x8 feet for traveling. Cam ing trailers usually have no built-in cooking or co storage facilities; you take along a gasoline stc and an ice chest. Some storage space is availal under the bunks, but because of limited dimensio most of your gear must ride in the car. Campi trailers work best for the family that wants a te on-wheels which goes up with minimum fuss a bother. Prices range from $400 to about $700 if y buy accessories like the screen enclosure.



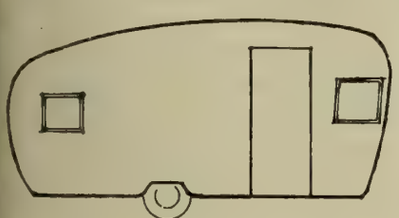
You can have the facilities of a trailer aboard a pickup truck.





Nicknamed "campers," units of this type are popular with families who are on the move a lot. You buy the living quarters separately, to mount on a ½- or ¾-ton truck. (The "installation" takes only about half an hour, using special jacks.) Model shown here has a range and lighting system operated on bottled gas; an ice box (gas refrigerator optional); electric lights, in case power is available; a 12-gallon water tank serving the sink, with outside water connections also provided; one 4-foot-wide bed over the truck cab, plus dinette seats that make into a second bed. Some models also have wall heaters, fold-away bunk beds, and toilet facilities. A camper is a good buy for people who own and use a pickup truck. This 8½-foot unit sells for about $1,100.

This 19-footer is small enough to tow, big enough for plenty of comfort.

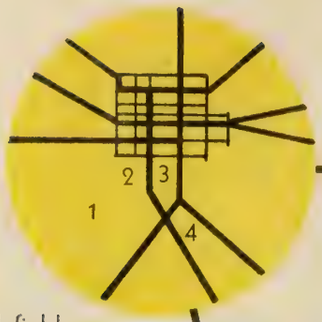




Travel trailers may be had in a great variety of sizes and styles, from 12 feet to 28 feet in length. One model that offers excellent facilities and mobility at reasonable cost is shown here. This size trailer is "self-contained"—that is, it includes toilet and shower in addition to lights, heat, food and clothing storage, and cooking unit. Thus it can be used in parks and wilderness areas that have no power or water—assuming occasional stops to replenish the trailer's tanks. This trailer sleeps six, including two on hammocks, and costs about $2,300. In larger cities, you can rent similar trailers for between $55 and $80 a week. (Be sure to use a "load-leveling" hitch to ease towing.)

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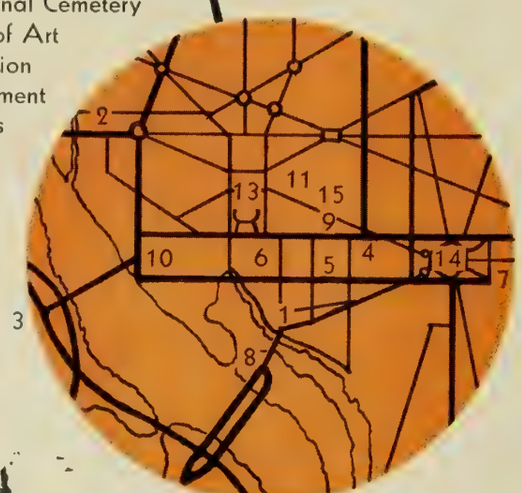
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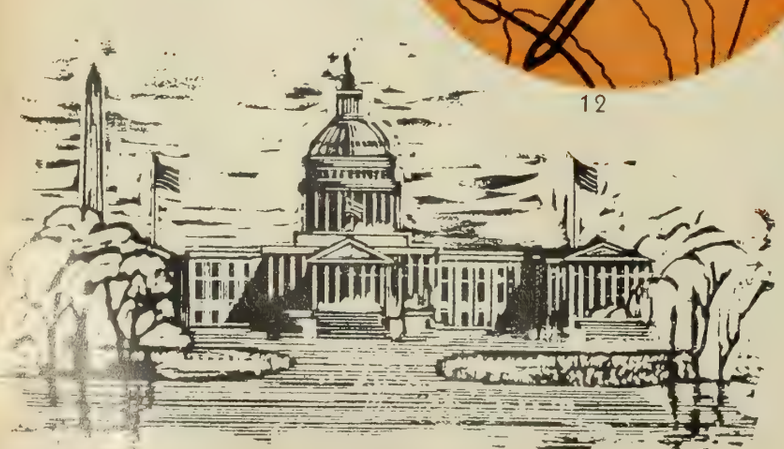
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All through the sweltering summer of 175 years ago, the leaders of the American Revolution toiled in Philadelphia to create mankind's outstanding document of freedom—the Constitution of the United States. They had fought a bitter war against the British to make possible this document; and some 70 years later, their descendants were yet to fight another bitter war, in which brother was pitted against brother, to preserve the union of free men that the Constitution guaranteed.

During our country's painful birth and its yet more painful confirmation, the small triangle of land whose corners are roughly designated by Washington, Gettysburg, and Philadelphia, was the scene of much crucial action. Its very names evoke nostalgia: the Delaware, Potomac, and the Shenandoah, Antietam, Harpers Ferry, Valley Forge. Every school child, sounding these words, thrills with recognition. But it takes more than school books for a full understanding of what the area means. It is necessary to go there, to see the place yourself.

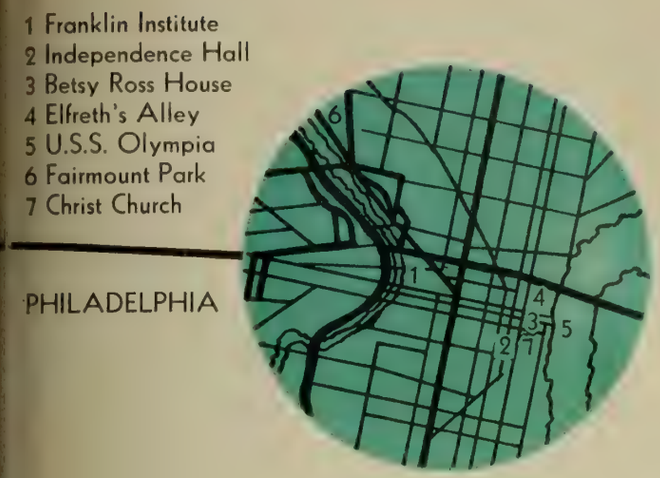
Such a trip need not consist of endless staring at museums' glass cases. It is lovely country, today as then—a land of broad and quiet rivers, of rocky gorges, wooded hills, and softly rolling pasture. In the eight days it took us to cover the high spots, our interest never lagged. Even children are fascinated by the stimulating attractions.

Here is one way to take the trip. Hours, unless otherwise specified, are those for summer months.

The trip

By George Bush

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First Day: Washington, D. C.

The axis of Washington is a long park, The Mall. On a gentle hill to the east rises the Capitol. Directly opposite, the Washington Monument stabs 555 feet into the sky. Facing The Mall from the north, about halfway between these landmarks, is the building that safeguards our country's official records, the National Archives. This is probably where you should take your children first. Enshrined here, and open to public view, are the signed parchments of the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence, along with one of the 13 original copies of the Bill of Rights. Also displayed are 49 other documents intimately linked with the birth of our country. (*Hours: 9 A.M.-10 P.M. weekdays, 1-10 Sundays and holidays.*)

From the Archives, cross Constitution Avenue to the National Gallery of Art, one of the country's finest art museums. This suggested itinerary won't allow you to stay long, so if any member of your family is particularly interested in art, make sure to return for a more leisurely visit before you leave Washington. (*Hours: 10-5, Sunday 2-10.*)

From the gallery, a 20-minute stroll (don't drive; parking spots are scarce) will take you to the Capitol. Capitol tours form every quarter hour from 9 A.M. to 3:55 P.M. (*adults, 25 cents; children under 10, free*). The 25-minute visit takes you briefly into the House and Senate, which may be in session. If you want to make a longer visit, apply to the office of your Congressman or Senator for passes.

Across First Street, directly to the east of the Capitol, is the Library of Congress, which houses more than 41 million items, from books and pamphlets to manuscripts, maps, and motion picture reels. Some of its many exhibits are permanent (such as the Gutenberg Bible, Thomas Jefferson's rough draft of the Declaration of Independence, and Lincoln's drafts of the Gettysburg Address); some are temporary (such as the Centennial Exhibition of the American Civil War). Take your family to the visitors gallery for an impressive view of the huge, domed main reading room.

By then it will probably be time for lunch. You can eat in the cafeteria of the Supreme Court Building next door. Another good cafeteria is at Methodist Building, a half-block to the north. There are also several eating places along Independence Avenue.

The males in your family may well insist that you devote the afternoon to the Smithsonian Institution, for it not only offers relics of the past, but looks to the future and space travel. From the Capitol, walk west along The Mall on Independence Avenue. To your right, just beyond the Smithsonian Arts and Industries Building, America's contenders for the race to the stars stand poised in their launching positions. Ranged side by side in the open (and curiously juxtaposed to an antique-looking World War I tank) are the Jupiter C, Vanguard, Polaris, and Atlas. A few feet away is the temporary National Air Museum, which will engross your boy for hours. He can see Commander Shepard's Freedom 7 space capsule, with a wax model jammed against the tight space couch, just as the astronaut was strapped in when the missile hurled him out over the Atlantic. Also on display: the Able-Baker monkey nose cone, the Bell X-1, Wiley Post's old high-altitude plane. John Glenn's space capsule, Friendship 7, will soon be on display, too.

But not all the Smithsonian's airplanes are in the Air Museum. You can see Lindbergh's "Spirit of St. Louis" and the Wright Brothers' pioneer ship suspended from the ceiling in the Arts and Industries Building. The men in your family will also enjoy examining old locomotives, automobiles, and stagecoaches while the girls, in an adjoining room, can admire dresses worn by our First Ladies. You may also want to see the [*Turn to page 109*

you owe your children

To appreciate America, you must see it. You must visit the scenes of its history; you must glory in its beauty. In the relatively small triangle of land we call "The Cradle of Democracy"—a triangle whose corners are roughly marked by Washington, Gettysburg, and Philadelphia—many of our nation's great events unfolded. It is a good place for parents to introduce their children to our national heritage, and to rediscover it themselves. In future issues, our travel editors will outline several other trips each American owes his family. Next month we tour New England.

Family rooms
ALL THROUGH THE HOUSE

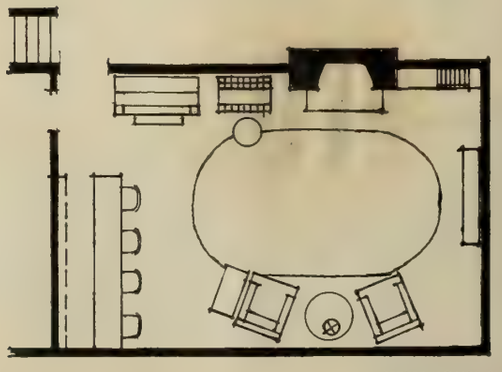
If you already have a family room at your house, you know what it's worth to a family in playful fun and easy relaxation. If you don't have one now, cheer up—there's a way you can add a family room to any house. Here we show you three very convincing examples.

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In the basement

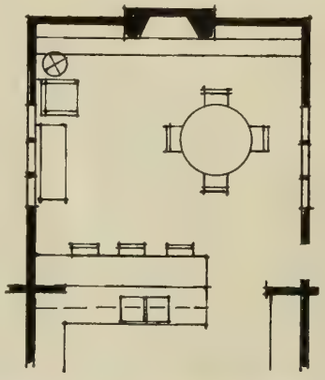
This room belonged to the whole family right from the start. Everyone, even six-year-old Andy, was given a chance to express his ideas about what the room should include. Wendy, 10, wanted a place where she could play housewife and cook for her brothers; she's still pretty young, but sometimes she is allowed to cook hamburgers on the barbecue next to the fireplace. Duke, 13, wanted a place to show movies and slides to his friends; there's a pull-down screen behind the papered beam (right). John, 9, wanted a place for music and games, the louder the better. Ceramic and asphalt tile, plastic laminate, acoustical tile, and durable furnishings make this family room a place where an active family can enjoy themselves without fear of shattering furniture—or one another's nerves. The clever location of the counter keeps it conveniently close to the stairs and allows complete flexibility for the arrangement of the rest of the furniture.





Family room—in an addition

This friendly family room has all the advantages of an old-fashioned country kitchen—plus some that grandmother never dreamed of. The Thomas Nelligans, Deerfield, Illinois, added a family room and remodeled their kitchen at the same time to get this winning team. Fourteen-year-old Patricia (a "great seamstress" says her mother) uses the eating counter as a sewing center. Margot, 11, and the rest of her Girl Scout troop use the room to rehearse dramatic skits. The raised hearth provides plenty of extra seating when the girls entertain. Both girls do their homework here and, when they aren't helping, sit here to talk to their mother in the kitchen. The kitchen is exactly the same size as before remodeling, but seems much bigger because it is open to the family room. Hanging cabinets above the sink open both ways for ease in getting ready for snacks and doing dishes afterward. Each of the girls has her own storage cabinet under the bookshelves. (There is a unit just out of the photograph to the right of the fireplace.)



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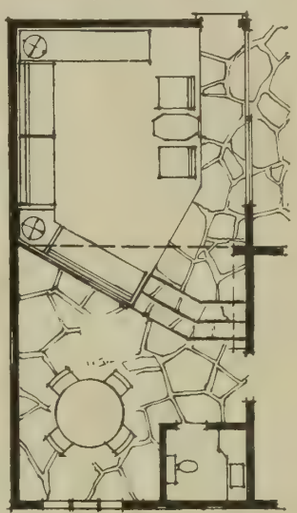






Family room—in the garage

This is where Dr. Frank Bigsby and his family, Evanston, Illinois, do most of their relaxing together. It's also the place where 11-year-old Mike meets with 14 other boys in his Y-club. And Mrs. Bigsby uses it as an office. Ten years ago, this family room was a one-car garage. Then the Bigsbys had it remodeled into a den, powder room, and screened porch. "The porch wasn't the joy we expected. It was cold, it was dirty, and it rained in," says Mrs. Bigsby. And the den? "We seemed to sit on top of each other." The Bigsbys decided to remodel again and combine den and porch. This room is the result. Roof, floor levels, and exterior wall dimensions all stayed the same. Low ceiling in the old porch became a very effective dropped ceiling defining the conversation area. Fluorescent lighting behind the soffit around this ceiling shows off its unusual lines. Three shallow steps join the two floor levels. The Bigsbys wanted an eating spot, so they angled the sofa (below) enough to give them space behind it for a table (not shown).





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"One day, my son came home from kindergarten screaming, 'Mom, you've *got* to go to th PTA meeting tonight, you've just got to!' and I read the paper he brought home saying th the PTA is solely responsible for any and all good relations between parent and teache He added that the only parents who don't belong are the ones who just don't care. So went because naturally I cared and because everybody seemed to want me to pay the 50c th proved it. I walked into my son's kindergarten room, waited in line to introduce myself the teacher, and right off the bat I put my foot in my mouth by asking, 'How is my s doing in school?' The teacher laughed for a little while, then explained that this was no tin to discuss a student, 'not in front of all these people.' I said, 'Well, do we have any problen we should discuss at some other time?' and after she finished laughing again she sai 'I'm sorry. We just can't discuss students in front of parents.' So laughed for a while, looked tolerant, and said, 'Then perhaps y can tell me . . . why am I here?' She looked over my shoulder, sa 'Next!' and I started watching other parents to see what they were doing there, but th were just standing around watching me. We all got tired of that in short order and we exploring halls and powder rooms until a bell rang signaling all of us 'do care' membe to go to the auditorium where we listened to a long lecture entitled 'Care of the Feet.' T speaker didn't say a word about kids, but we learned that grown-up feet should be cover with socks an inch longer than the feet because it's healthier that way. I didn't see a mothers with socks, but I saw quite a few men sleeping. From there we joined a line leadi into the cafeteria where we pushed big trays along while people put a cookie on one side a a cup of coffee on the other. I stayed awake all night wondering what on earth I could t my son in the morning. But when it came and he asked if I went to the PTA meeting, I sa 'Yes!' in full-voiced excitement, 'and I saw your *room*!' He was absolutely delighted and didn ask me another thing. At other meetings that year, I learned how to put out home fires, h to prevent home accidents, how to take care of my grown-up eyes; I heard the school ban the school choir, and I saw parts of coming school plays and a fashion show put on by t Home Ec class. Once there was a 'Progress Report' that I'd looked forward to, but it w all about a building project, and nobody said even one little word about parents, teache or kids. By the time my son was in fourth grade and my three girls in third, first, a kindergarten, I had learned how to go late to PTA meetings, run into each room, tell t teacher how delighted I was to see her again, rush to the auditorium where I spoke everybody I knew, rush back out to the powder room, smoke a cigarette until the auditoriu door closed, and then go quietly home. The entire operation takes about fifteen minute

Excerpt from a letter sent us by a PTA mother

IS PTA DOING ANY



By Martin Mayer, *author of* The Schools, *one of the most important books on education in recent years*

At a time when Americans are really agitated about their schools, the nation's Parent-Teacher Associations have lost most of their vitality. While this uniquely American force for educational progress counts more members on its books than it ever has before—nearly 13 million—the organization has never been nationally so ineffectual or locally so aimless. In most schools, the PTA is a formality, an overearnest, yet purposeless, talking society. In many, it is a mere fund-raising device. In some, it has become an arena for personal politicking; in many more, a monthly bore.

This collapse does not mean that the PTA idea has outlived its usefulness. PTAs are important. They assert, by their very existence, that schools belong to the people who use them and not to a remote government. In those rare communities where PTAers understand their function, and where aggressive but level-headed local leadership has seen something that really needs doing and has gone ahead to do it, the organization still succeeds in moving mountains.

Since its foundation in 1897 (as the National Congress of Mothers), the PTA movement has forced American schools to provide hot-lunch programs; free, safe transportation; medical examinations; sensible home-economics work; day-care centers; clean, airy, well-lighted classrooms. All these were radical notions when PTA first endorsed them, and all are commonplace today. The movement has used every conceivable approach to improving the children's welfare: local political pressure, national political lobbying, publicity and propaganda, adult-education programs both formal and informal. But PTA's most effective weapon has been demonstration—setting up pilot projects at individual schools to prove that a kindergarten, or a lunch program, or eye examinations, cost less or involve smaller problems than the school authorities once believed.

Unfortunately, time has tarnished these techniques, partly because so many of the goals have been achieved. Today the legislative program, apart from federal aid to education, stresses formal matters like setting up the U.S. Office of Education as a separate agency independent of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare; or vague propositions like "strengthening and improving state and local programs for the diminution, control, and treatment of juvenile delinquency"; or nice-Nelly matters like legislation to prohibit beer ads on radio and television. On the local level, PTA political action these days is usually reduced to helping the Board of Education in the "millage campaign" to raise tax revenues for schools. By their charters—and for good reason—local PTAs are forbidden to support candidates in elections: PTA stands for principles, not people. When parent groups wish to be active in local elections, where principles tend to be embodied in persons, they must form separate organizations. Thus, for example, members of the Westport, Connecticut, PTA formed a separate Association for Better Education, to campaign for candidates who promise to support adequate school taxes.

The PTA's education program, busier than ever, has become one of the great bores of American life. Every month, thousands of local PTAs gather to discuss topics outlined in advance by the national office, on the basis of articles and "program guides" published in *The PTA Magazine*. Among the topics outlined for this year are the following: "Love is a Powerful Thing," "The Child: An Unfinished Masterpiece," "Does Your Child have a Dual Personality?" and "Must Children Bicker and Quarrel?"

As subjects to be touched on in a dinner conversation, these topics are potentially stimulating. As centerpieces for 90-minute PTA meetings involving 40 to 400 people, they are guaranteed to put the listener to sleep. Yet they drone on, and are even regarded by many earnest PTA chairladies as ways to draw men into PTA activities.

PTA's demonstration programs, alone, are still effective. Indeed, virtually every successful, energetic local PTA is either sponsoring some actual pilot project or co-operating with its school in introducing some new subject, teaching method, or way to organize a classroom. [*Turn to page 126*

THING for our SCHOOLS?



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Delightfully different windows!

By Florence Byerly

Windows can be as imaginative as the people who live behind them. Try new materials and treatments—you may come up with windows like these!

Top right—Caning and open-weave drapery attached to a simple framework cover up three poorly placed windows, a radiator, and a bad view. To create diffused lighting, the frame is set away from the wall the depth of the radiator. You could use extra space behind the framework for storage, too. Loosely woven fabric allows free circulation of heat and air.

Left—Privacy and soft, diffused light were created by these colorful, plastic panels cut and set in frames. Your frames could be hinged like a folding screen or put on a track to slide as individual units. Mrs. J. Ted Wolfson had fluorescent lighting strips put behind the translucent wall to create a feeling of daylight during evening meals.

Lower right—Wallpaper and matching fabric make this bay window an integral part of the room. Venetian blinds shut out the sun's heat so the air conditioner works at top efficiency, yet they allow air to circulate when the windows are open. Calico strips were sewed onto fabric tapes of blinds. Wallpaper was pasted onto the window trim.

No project is too small for the Better Homes and Gardens Home Improvement Competition. Details on page 6.



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Delightfully different windows

Economy and privacy are yours with opaque, custom-colored shades, installed for bottom-up operation. Shades are white on the reverse side increase light reflection and give uniform appearance from the patio sid Shades insulate, too, by forming an air pocket next to the window.

Photograph: Bill Hopkins



Right—A 32-foot window requires special handling and a visual separation. The effect was achieved by using print draperies combined with solid-color draperies. A fabric-covered screen adds to the separation. The print fabric repeated in the furnishings co-ordinates the entire room.

Window shades combine with over-draperies for an elegant effect. The shade at the left has been installed to pull up over an air conditioner. The shade shown at the right is installed for regular use. Fabric has been laminated to standard window-shade material. This lamination process lets you "customize" your window with a favorite fabric on the shade. For dramatic high lights, add a lighting panel under the valance.

For more ideas, see "Decorating Ideas For Your Windows," a new, full-color Better Homes & Gardens filmstrip. It's ideal for group showings of any kind. Send for it today. Dept. GP. Just $12.50.



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The most popular recipes of this century

By Myrna Johnston and Foods Staff

ıese are the favorites that were swapped across e bridge table, jotted down at every ladies' eeting. The dates we give are when each was in heyday, not when it was introduced. Now, r parade of recipes too good to be forgotten!



ɔbster Newburg—the vogue of 1900

nsidered "beau bait" by the Gibson Girl, this specialty s high style along with the shirtwaist, the horseless carge, and croquet. Legend has it that Lobster Newburg was t served before the turn of the century at Delmonico's taurant. It was named "a la Wenburg" in honor of the pping magnate who originated the recipe. But following a with the management, the first three letters of his name re reversed on the menu, and the dish has been known as bster Newburg ever since. Another legend says it was called wburg for a German banker. Lush eating, either way!

ographs: Allen Snook



Veal Birds and French knots, 1905

Here these tasty roll-ups are shown on Haviland, the china of the day—perhaps your Grandmother's had pink rosebuds or a gold band. Teddy Roosevelt was President; teddy bears (inspired by a cartoon) became a beloved toy. There was a hatpin holder on every dresser; and iced tea and ice-cream cones, happy accidents of the 1904 St. Louis Exposition, were still news.

Graham Gems and player pianos, 1910

Mother baked these good and good-for-you wheat muffins in iron "gem tins." She thrilled to Caruso on the talking machine, had ragtime on the piano roll. "Automobile sandwiches" went on outings in the Model-T. Tots could hardly wait to see the comic strips—what were the Katzenjammer Kids up to, or Buster Brown and Tige? Dinner took all day in a fireless cooker.

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Whipped Gelatin Dessert and roses, 1912

Imagine the little lady's joy when she discovered she could whip a gelatin (partially set) and come up with a fluffy new texture! She happily stacked clear and whipped layers, often molded in a loaf pan for easy slicing. How fascinating it was that pineapple would sink in gelatin, and banana slices float, magically self-layering!

On a nice warm afternoon, you might find her curled up on the porch swing, nibbling bonbons and reading "Daddy Long Legs." Or playing a game of Rook with the girls—you may be sure refreshments would be ice-cream sundaes (very new!) and that the table would be decked with a tall vase of American Beauty roses.

She danced the turkey trot to the strains of "Alexander's Ragtime Band," went to silent flickers.

Chicken Croquettes and bridge in 1915

These were the three favorites that went into the fry kettle: croquettes, potato chips, and doughnuts. A well-equipped kitchen boasted croquette forms for shaping cones. If in a hurry, the cook would shape logs.

This was a time when oven regulators were new, assuring greater baking success. Women took pride in white cake, marble cake, jelly roll; served them with grape juice or ginger ale after auction bridge.

Dainty desserts like Strawberry Sherbet were topped with crystallized violets or rose petals, perhaps for Mother's Day (first observed, May 1914). The opening of the New York-San Francisco telephone line made "Hello, Frisco!" the big song. "Pollyanna" was the story-book heroine; Kewpie dolls perched on the mantel.



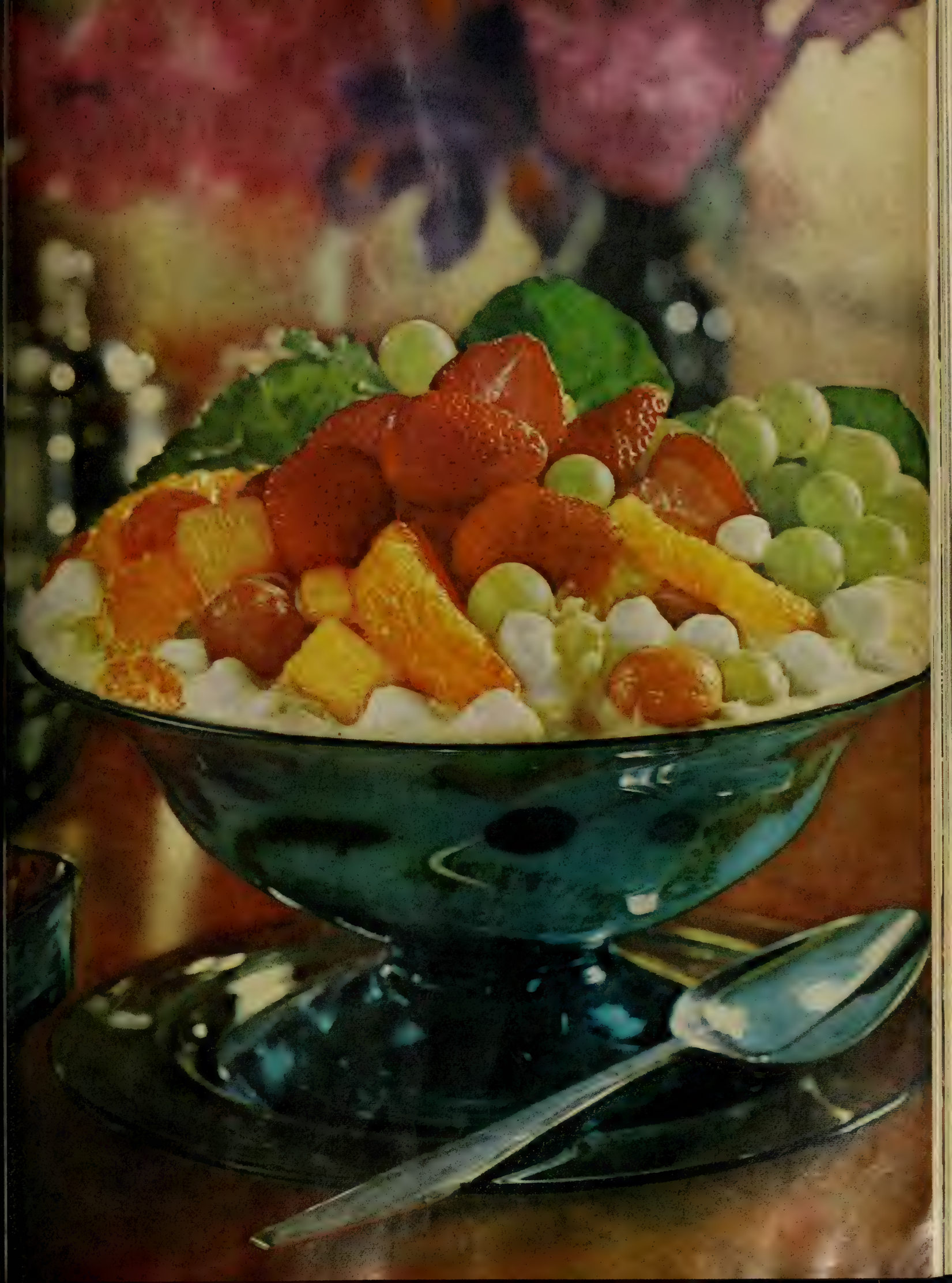


Eggs Goldenrod, K-K-K-Katy in 1918

The boys were "over there," and the girls were here knitting needles flying. These were meatless, wheatless sugarless days—and eggs stretched farthest in a sauce

School girls donned big white aprons and head bands for cooking class. One lesson they could count on was Eggs Goldenrod—this was the teacher's pet. With this same dish, she could point out the principles of white sauce (for velvety smoothness), of egg cookery (for tender hard-cooked eggs), and of toast-making.

Oatmeal and corn meal were served as porridge, of course, but they were also a baking stand-by, with Oatmeal Cookies and Corn Bread coming from every oven Movie stars—Mary Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks—helped sell Liberty Bonds; Sousa struck up the band



HE LIKES TO cook

First of a series of articles for men who cook as a hobby—or would like to start. This month, our chef-author tells how to make a sport of French Omelettes.

Perry Knowlton, our guest columnist and vice-president of a New York literary agency, first became interested in cooking several years ago when he spent a lot of time on boats. The galley had only two burners, so he decided to learn a few tricks. Now he can even keep two omelette pans busy at the same time!

For ease, speed, and an impressively tasty meal, it's hard to beat the omelette—especially if you're one of those men who, like me, want to cook something good for your family or a guest or two, but have little time or patience. I'm talking about the classic omelette, not the flogged kind you cook in a 12-pound, hinged Iron Maiden.

The true omelette can be made in almost any kind of skillet, but it's far easier, and the results are better, if you have a seasoned omelette pan—the slope-sided sort which curves gradually.

For individually cooked two-eggers, it's best to use a pan about 8 inches across the top. It should be seasoned, too, so that the eggs won't stick at crucial moments. This can be done simply by heating olive oil in the pan over low heat for 30 minutes. After you've seasoned a pan, don't wash it—don't let a drop of water even touch it. Just wipe out with paper towels and save it for eggs. Nothing else.

If you're cooking for several people, you can make one of these omelettes after another—each should take only seconds, not minutes—and keep them hot in a warm oven until supply equals demand.

Plain omelettes are fine if prepared and laid on properly, but if you turn your imagination loose on a filled omelette, you can come up with something which will make the orneriest kind of gourmet-nut pant with anticipation. First, though, the plain omelette.

Add a pinch of salt to 2 eggs in small mixing bowl—use no liquid. With fork, beat only enough to mix whites and yolks (not frothy).

Heat a teaspoon of butter or olive oil in your skillet, tilting to grease sides. When butter stops sizzling and *begins* to brown, or oil forms ripples, pour in eggs.

Use *high* heat. Eggs will start to solidify at once, so here's where you have to be fast. *Quickly* and continuously drag cooked portion of eggs from sides of pan to center with *back* of fork, tines up, parallel to skillet, to let uncooked part flow to the outside. Toward the end of the cooking (remember, the whole thing is a matter of seconds), build up the sides by swirling the pan—lift it slightly off the range.

When most of the egg is firm, but some still soft, it's ready to fold and serve; but if you're going to fill it, it's time to place the hot filling across the middle, at right angles to the handle of the pan. If filling is runny, spoon only the solid part on at this point or you'll need to season your pan again.

Now tilt the pan toward you, handle down, and slide the omelette toward the handle until a third of it can be easily flipped over the filling—jerk the pan to do this or help with a fork. Now change your grasp on the handle to palm up, and tilt the pan, handle up, over a warmed plate so that the partly folded omelette slides to far side of pan. Follow through by tilting the pan over, dropping the omelette neatly on the plate in folded thirds. Pour more filling over, and there it is.

Let your imagination swing when it comes to the filling. For a starter, try ground beef sauteed in butter, seasoned, and slightly dampened with two or three fingers of beer or red cooking wine; or sauteed chicken livers with white cooking wine or bouillon.

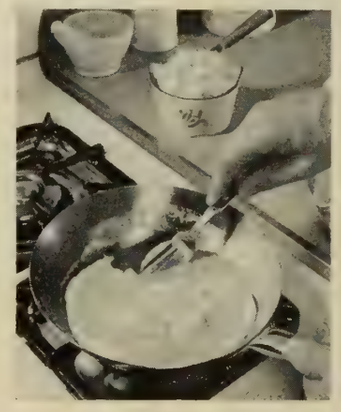
Sauteed mushrooms, cheese, or browned onions—or just about anything your wife has in the refrigerator—will take on a completely new character with an omelette wrapped around it. Rice, asparagus, even baked beans are fair game. Leftover chicken, diced or shredded, heated in a little cooking sherry and an undiluted can of mushroom soup is a favorite.

I've had omelettes filled with kidneys, calves' brains, sweetbreads—usually combined with something special like truffles. I've had them filled with curry made from leftover lamb or lobster. Caviar, apples, even pumpkins find their way into very respectable omelettes.

A specialty filling of mine which defies identification actually is a canned product called *caponata di melenzane.* (This is an Italian eggplant relish seasoned with tomato sauce, vinegar, capers, onions, spices.) One small can of *caponata,* heated in a smidgen of beef broth, supplies enough filling for two individual two-eggers. Anyone who sits down to this omelette will swear you've spent days preparing the filling. Let them think it. Why spoil a good thing? —*Perry Knowlton*



Drag egg in to center.



Swirl pan—and fast!



Out! Note handle grip.



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Souper Scalloped Potatoes. Blend 1 can Campbell's Cream of Mushroom Soup with ½ to ¾ cup milk, dash pepper. In 1½-qt. casserole, arrange in alternate layers: 4 cups thinly sliced potatoes, 1 small onion (sliced), and soup sauce. Dot top with butter; sprinkle with paprika. Cover; bake at 375° F. 1 hr. Uncover; bake 15 min. more. 4 to 6 servings.





Souper Glazed Carrots. In saucepan, cook 2 tbsp. chopped onion and 1 tbsp. chopped parsley in 2 tbsp. butter about 5 min. Add 8 medium-size carrots (cut in 1 to 1½-inch pieces), 1 can Campbell's Consommé, dash nutmeg. Cover; cook over medium heat 25 min. Uncover; cook 20 min. till carrots are tender, sauce thickens and forms glaze. 4 servings.

4 Souper ways to vary your VEGETABLES!

M'm! M'm! Good! When the soup is *Campbell's*



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Souper Lima Bake. Cook 4 slices bacon until crisp; drain and crumble. Brown 1 large onion (chopped) in bacon drippings; mix with 1 can Campbell's Tomato Soup, 4 cups drained cooked lima beans, and bacon. Spoon into 1½-qt. casserole; sprinkle top with buttered bread crumbs. Bake at 375° F. about 30 min. or until crumbs brown. 6 servings.









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Lobster Newburg

"Floradora" with its sextet of "typewriter girls" was on the stage; Lobster Newburg was in the chafing dish—

- ⅓ cup butter or margarine
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 2 cups light cream or half-and-half
- 4 slightly beaten egg yolks
- 2 5-ounce cans (about 2 cups) lobster, cubed
- ¼ cup cooking sherry
- 2 teaspoons lemon juice
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 6 patty shells

Melt butter in chafing dish or skillet; blend in flour; gradually stir in cream. Cook slowly, stirring constantly, till sauce thickens. Stir small amount sauce into egg yolks; return to hot mixture and cook, stirring constantly, 1 minute. Add lobster, cooking sherry, lemon juice, and salt; heat through, stirring—don't boil. Serve in patty shells or over toast points. Sprinkle with paprika. Makes 6 servings.

Veal Birds

Popular way back when phonographs came with a "morning-glory horn"—

- 2 pounds veal round steak, ½ inch thick
- 1½ cups finely diced dry bread cubes
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted
- 3 tablespoons finely chopped onion
- 1 teaspoon sage
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon water

Cut meat into 6 pieces; pound till double in area (¼ inch thick). Sprinkle lightly with salt and pepper. For stuffing, sprinkle bread cubes with remaining ingredients; toss lightly. Top each piece of meat with stuffing and roll up lightly as for jelly roll; tie loosely with string. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Roll in flour. Brown veal rolls nicely on all sides in ⅓ cup butter. Add ½ cup water. Simmer, covered, 30 minutes or till tender. Remove birds to platter; keep warm while making gravy.

Gravy: Pour pan drippings into a pint measure. Spoon fat (about 3 tablespoons) back into skillet; add 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour. Brown flour well, stirring constantly. Remove from heat. Add water to meat juices to make 1¾ cups; stir into flour mixture. Add ½ teaspoon monosodium glutamate and 1 teaspoon concentrated meat extract. Cook, stirring constantly, till mixture thickens and boils. Add salt and pepper to taste; simmer 1 minute. Pass with Veal Birds. Makes 6 servings.

Graham Gems

These wonderful wheat muffins merit a revival!—

- ½ cup sifted all-purpose flour
- ¼ cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 4 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 cup stirred whole-wheat flour
- 1 well-beaten egg
- 1 cup milk
- 3 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted

Sift together all-purpose flour, sugar, salt, and baking powder; stir in whole-wheat flour. Combine egg, milk, and butter. Make a well in dry ingredients and add liquid all at once. Stir just till flour mixture is moistened. Fill greased muffin pans ⅔ full. Bake in hot oven (425°) 15 to 18 minutes or till done. Makes about 10.

Whipped Gelatin Dessert

Just as spectacular and luscious now as it was in the days of the silent electric car and high-buttoned shoes—

Clear red layer:

- 1 3-ounce package strawberry-flavored gelatin
- 1 cup boiling water
- ¾ cup cold water
- 1 fully ripe banana, sliced
- few strawberries

Dissolve gelatin in boiling water; add cold water. Pour *1 cup* of the gelatin mixture into a 6-cup melon mold.* Chill till partially set, then press in banana slices and strawberries to form a design. Chill till almost firm. (Meanwhile chill remaining gelatin till partially set for use in pink whipped layer.)

Pink whipped layer:

When remaining strawberry gelatin is partially set, whip till light and fluffy; spread evenly over red layer. Chill till almost firm. (Meanwhile start yellow layer.)

Clear yellow layer:

- 1 3-ounce package lemon-flavored gelatin
- 1 cup boiling water
- ¾ cup cold water

Dissolve gelatin in boiling water; add cold water. Chill till slightly thick; ladle over whipped layer. Chill mold overnight. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

*Or 8½x4½x2½-inch loaf pan.

Chicken Croquettes

Every good cook of yesteryear was up on croquette standards: a crunchy jacket, creamy-soft interior and hot through-

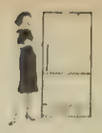
- 3 tablespoons butter or margarine
- ¼ cup all-purpose flour
- ½ cup milk
- ½ cup chicken broth
- 1 tablespoon minced parsley
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon onion juice
- Dash *each* paprika and nutmeg
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- Dash pepper
- 1½ cups finely diced cooked or canned chicken
- 1 cup fine corn-flake, cracker, or dry bread crumbs
- 1 beaten egg
- 2 tablespoons water

Melt butter; blend in flour. Add milk and broth all at once. Cook, stirring constantly, till mixture thickens and bubbles; cook and stir 1 minute longer. Add parsley, lemon and onion juices, and seasonings. Cool. Add chicken, salt to taste; chill thoroughly.

With wet hands, shape chicken mixture in 8 balls, a scant ¼ cup each. Roll in crumbs. Shape balls into cones, handling lightly

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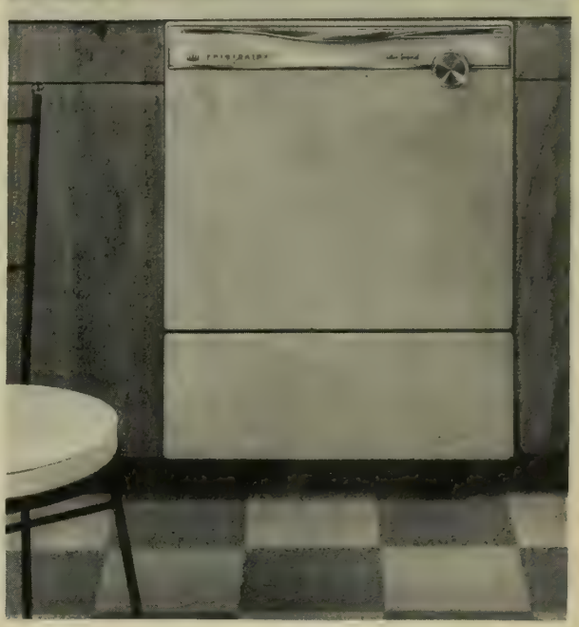
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crumbs remain on outside. Dip into mixture of egg and water; roll in crumbs again. Fry in deep hot fat (365°) 2½ to 3 minutes or till golden brown and heated through. Drain on paper towels and serve with Green Peas in Cream Sauce. Makes 4 servings.

Green Peas in Cream Sauce

2 tablespoons butter or margarine
2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
½ cup light cream, half-and-half, or milk
½ cup chicken broth
¼ teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
½ cup drained cooked or canned peas

Melt butter; blend in flour. Add cream and broth all at once. Cook, stirring constantly, till mixture thickens and bubbles. Add seasonings and peas. Heat through.

Better Homes & Gardens Test-Kitchen note: For plain white sauce for creaming meat and vegetables, omit broth and use 1 cup for total liquid.

Eggs Goldenrod

Mighty good and pretty, too. You'll wonder with us how could this have been forgotten!—

6 hard-cooked eggs
3 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted
3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
½ teaspoon salt
1½ cups milk
6 slices hot toast, quartered

Chop egg whites and sieve yolks. Melt butter; blend in flour and salt; add milk all at once. Cook, stirring constantly, till mixture thickens and bubbles. Add the chopped egg whites; heat briefly. Ladle creamed egg whites over toast. Sprinkle sieved yolks atop. Pass salt and pepper. Six servings.

Perfect Corn Bread

1 cup sifted all-purpose flour
¼ cup sugar
4 teaspoons baking powder
¾ teaspoon salt
1 cup yellow corn meal
2 eggs
1 cup milk
¼ cup soft shortening

Sift flour with sugar, baking powder, and salt; stir in corn meal. Add eggs, milk, and shortening. Beat with rotary or electric beater till just smooth, about 1 minute. (Do not overbeat.) Pour into greased 9x9x2-inch pan. Bake in hot oven (425°) 20 to 25 minutes.

Oatmeal Cookies

A real "Grandmother cooky"—so good! Remember?—

1 cup shortening
1½ cups brown sugar
2 eggs
½ cup buttermilk*
1½ cups sifted all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon soda*
1 teaspoon baking powder*
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon nutmeg
3 cups quick-cooking rolled oats
½ to 1 cup seedless raisins

Cream together shortening, brown sugar, and eggs till light and fluffy. Stir in buttermilk. Sift together flour, soda, baking powder, salt, and spices; stir into creamed mixture. Stir in rolled oats and the raisins. Drop from tablespoon 2 inches apart on greased cooky sheet. Top each with walnut half, if desired. Bake in hot oven (400°) about 10 minutes or till lightly browned. Makes about 5 dozen.

*Or use ½ cup sweet milk; cut soda to ¼ teaspoon and increase baking powder to 2 teaspoons.

Pineapple Upside-down Cake

In the mid-Twenties, this was a craze, along with touring cars and runabouts, bungalows and cretonne slip covers—

2 tablespoons butter or margarine
½ cup brown sugar
4 canned pineapple slices, halved
4 maraschino cherries, halved
⅓ cup shortening
1¼ cups sifted all-purpose flour
½ cup sugar
2 teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
½ cup pineapple syrup
½ teaspoon grated lemon peel
1 egg

Melt butter in 8x8x2-inch pan. Stir in brown sugar. Arrange pineapple in mixture, placing a cherry half in each hollow. Stir shortening to soften. Sift in dry ingredients. Add syrup, peel, and egg; mix till all flour is dampened. Beat vigorously 2 minutes. Pour batter over pineapple. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 30 to 35 minutes or till done. Let stand 10 minutes; invert on plate. Serve warm with whipped cream.

Flapper Pudding

The older generation's comment, "So simple, even a flapper could make it!" (Did your mother chill individual servings in waxed paper, twisted hobo-style at the top?)—

1 cup fine vanilla-wafer crumbs
¾ cup soft butter or margarine
2 cups sifted confectioners' sugar
2 egg yolks*
2 stiff-beaten egg whites*
1 9-ounce can crushed pineapple, well drained
½ cup chopped California walnuts

Spread *half* of crumbs on bottom of 10x6x1½-inch baking dish. Cream butter; gradually add confectioners' sugar, beating till light and fluffy. Add egg yolks, one at a time, beating well after each. Beat 1 minute more. Fold in egg whites (mixture may look curdled); beat at medium speed a few *seconds* or till smooth. Fold in pineapple and nuts. Carefully spread mixture over crumbs. Top with remaining crumbs. Chill till firm, 5 hours or overnight. Cut in squares. Garnish with cherries. Makes 10 servings.

*Have at room temperature.

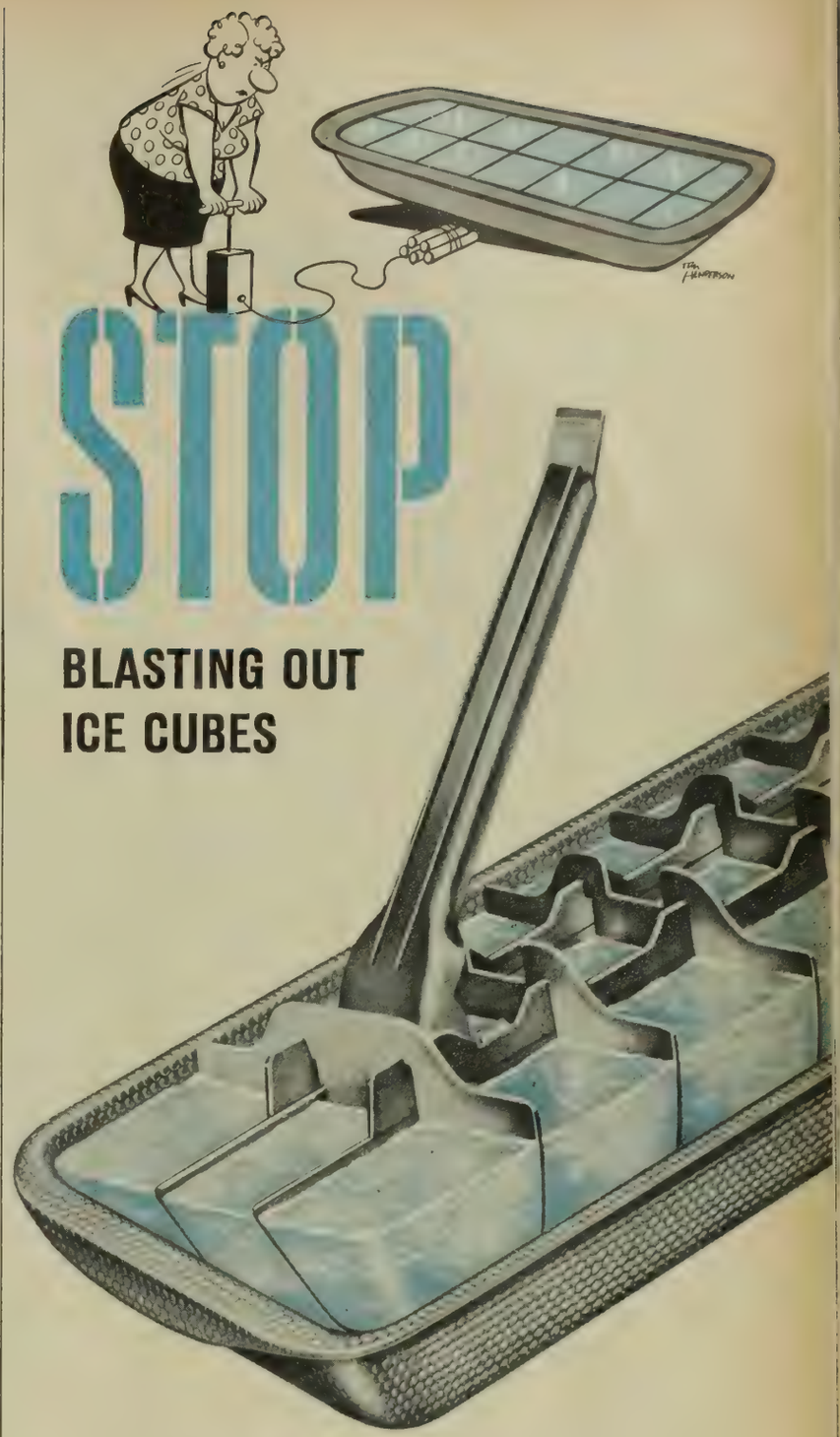
Salad Sandwich Loaf

Popular as "Betty Co-ed" in the early Thirties, it was featured at bridal showers and bridge luncheons—

3 cups ground cooked or canned ham
¾ to 1 cup mayonnaise
⅓ cup finely chopped celery
⅓ cup drained pickle relish
4 teaspoons prepared horseradish
5 hard-cooked eggs, chopped
⅓ cup chopped stuffed olives
⅓ cup minced parsley
⅓ cup mayonnaise
1½ teaspoons prepared mustard
½ teaspoon grated onion
1 unsliced white sandwich loaf, about 11 inches long
Softened butter or margarine
4 3-ounce packages cream cheese
⅓ cup light cream

Ham filling: Combine first 5 ingredients. **Egg filling:** Combine next 6 ingredients. **To assemble:** Trim

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crusts from sandwich loaf; cut in 4 equal lengthwise slices. Butter the slices. Spread first slice with *half* the Ham Filling; top with second slice, buttered side down. Spread on Egg Filling. Add third slice, buttered side down; spread with remaining Ham Filling. Top with last slice, buttered side down. Wrap loaf tightly in foil, saran, or waxed paper; chill several hours. Beat cream cheese till smooth. Gradually add cream and beat fluffy. Frost loaf, and sprinkle with chopped parsley, if desired.

Grapefruit Basket

With a sharp knife, cut thin slice off stem end of grapefruit to make a flat base. Then draw a circle around the middle of the fruit. To make handle: As a guide, insert toothpicks ½ inch apart in two parallel rows from the middle line on one side of the grapefruit to the line on opposite side. Remove toothpicks, and following the holes, cut straight down from top of fruit to middle line on each side; then cut across on middle line to handle edges; remove side pieces. Carefully scoop out the fruit under handle and from basket; separate membrane from fruit. Fill basket with the grapefruit and other fruits as strawberries, orange sections, banana slices. Tuck in a sprig of parsley or mint. Tie a bow of baby ribbon on top of basket handle.

Candlestick Salad

Select straight rather than curved bananas. If bananas are large, you'll need large canned pineapple rings. For each serving, place 1 or 2 pineapple rings on a ruffle of lettuce as a base. For the candle, insert half a banana in the center of the pineapple. Make a tiny hole at top of banana and insert a slice of maraschino cherry as a flickering flame. Dribble a little Creamy Mayonnaise down the candle to look like melting wax. For candlestick handle, tuck one end of a strip of orange peel at base of banana, curve other end and let rest near edge of pineapple. Pass bowl of **Creamy Mayonnaise:** Whip ½ cup whipping cream and fold into 1 cup mayonnaise.

Tomato Rose

For the petals, it takes one 3-ounce package cream cheese for every two tomatoes. Peel tomatoes; chill. Soften cream cheese in small bowl, mixing in 1 teaspoon milk. Using a teaspoon with pointed tip, level off a spoonful of the cheese with a knife. To make a petal, press the cheese against the side of tomato (stem end down), and draw the spoon downward with a curving motion. Repeat petals till tomato resembles a rose. Sprinkle center with sieved hard-cooked egg yolk. Place each tomato rose on individual salad plate lined with greens. Pass French dressing.

Diploma Sandwiches

Trim crusts from all sides of an *unsliced* sandwich loaf. Slice *very thin*,* immediately placing each slice between dampened towels to keep soft enough for rolling up when filled. Add a little pickle relish to canned deviled ham, and spread on slices, lightly rolling up each one as you go. Place the diplomas seam side down until time to tie in center with baby ribbon. If made ahead, keep fresh by covering with saran or foil.

*Easier to do if you freeze bread, then slice while partially frozen.

Tomato-soup Spice Cake

½ cup shortening
1½ cups sugar
2 eggs
2 cups sifted cake flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
¼ teaspoon baking soda
½ teaspoon cinnamon
½ teaspoon cloves
½ teaspoon nutmeg
1 can condensed tomato soup
1 cup chopped nuts
1 cup seedless raisins

Stir shortening to soften. Gradually add sugar, creaming till light and fluffy. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each. Sift together dry ingredients; add to creamed mixture alternately with soup, beginning and ending with flour mixture, and beating well after each addition. Beat 1 minute longer; fold in nuts and raisins. Bake in 2 paper-lined 8x1½-inch round pans in moderate oven (375°) about 30 minutes or till done. Cool 10 minutes, remove from pans. When thoroughly cool, frost with Cream-cheese Frosting (or 7-minute frosting). Border top with white raisins and broken nuts.

Easy Tomato-soup Spice Cake

Prepare batter from 1 package spice-cake mix according to package directions, but using 1 can condensed tomato soup plus ¼ cup water in place of the liquid called for on cake-mix box. Add ½ cup *each* seedless raisins and chopped nuts. Bake in 2 paper-lined 8x1½-inch round pans in moderate oven (350°) about 30 to 35 minutes or till done. Cool 10 minutes before removing from pans.

Cream-cheese Frosting

1 3-ounce package cream cheese, softened
½ teaspoon vanilla
2½ cups sifted confectioners' sugar
About 2 teaspoons milk

Blend cream cheese and vanilla. Gradually add sugar, creaming well. Add enough milk to make of spreading consistency. Frosts

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Strawberry Puff

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tops and sides of two 8-inch layers (to frost generously, double recipe).

Porcupine Meat Balls

1 pound ground beef
⅓ cup uncooked rice
¼ cup chopped onion
¼ cup water
1 teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
1 can condensed tomato soup
½ teaspoon chili powder
½ cup water

Combine meat, rice, onion, ¼ cup water, salt, and pepper. Shape in 15 one-inch balls. Blend soup and chili powder; stir in ½ cup water; bring to boiling. Add meat balls, cover and simmer *gently*, 1 hour, stirring a few times. Makes 5 servings.

Pigs in Blankets

In the early Thirties, biscuit mix and cellophane set the "modern" pace—

For 14 hot appetizers, you'll need 2 cups packaged biscuit mix and two 4-ounce cans Vienna sausage. Prepare dough from biscuit mix and knead according to package directions for rolled biscuits, *but roll to ¼ inch.* Cut in 2½ inch squares (for pinked edge use pastry wheel). Place a tiny link of Vienna sausage* diagonally across each square; overlap two opposite corners of dough, pinching to seal —let tips of sausage show. Brush biscuit tops with melted butter. Bake on ungreased baking sheet in very hot oven (450°) 7 minutes or till "blankets" are done. Serve hot.

*If desired, brush lightly with prepared mustard.

24-Hour Salad

1 No. 2 can (2½ cups) pineapple tidbits
1 1-pound can (2 cups) pitted white cherries
3 egg yolks
2 tablespoons vinegar
2 tablespoons sugar
Dash salt
1 tablespoon butter or margarine
2 medium oranges, pared and diced
2 cups tiny marshmallows or 16 large ones cut in eighths
1 cup whipping cream, whipped

Drain pineapple, reserving 2 tablespoons syrup. Drain cherries. In top of double boiler, beat egg yolks slightly; add reserved pineapple syrup, the vinegar, sugar, salt, and butter. Place over *hot, not boiling* water; cook, stirring constantly, till mixture thickens *slightly* and *barely* coats a spoon (about 12 minutes). Cool to room temperature. Combine *well-drained* oranges, pineapple, cherries, and the marshmallows. Pour custard over and mix gently. Fold in whipped cream. Pour into serving bowl. Cover and chill 24 hours. Trim with fresh fruits. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Chocolate Chip Cookies

½ cup butter, margarine, or shortening
½ cup granulated sugar
¼ cup brown sugar
1 egg
1 cup sifted all-purpose flour
½ teaspoon soda
½ teaspoon salt
1 6-ounce package (1 cup) semisweet chocolate pieces
½ cup chopped California walnuts
1 teaspoon vanilla

Cream together butter and sugars. Add egg; beat well. Sift together dry ingredients; stir into creamed mixture, blending well. Add the chocolate pieces, nuts, and vanilla. Drop from teaspoon 2 inches apart onto greased cooky sheet. (To match picture, dot tops with additional chocolate pieces.) Bake in moderate oven (375°) 10 to 12 minutes. Makes about 3½ dozen.

Pineapple Chiffon Cake

2¼ cups sifted cake flour
1½ cups sugar
3 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
½ cup salad oil
5 egg yolks
¾ cup unsweetened pineapple juice
1 cup (8) egg whites
½ teaspoon cream of tartar

Sift dry ingredients into mixing bowl; make a well in dry ingredients. In this order, add: salad oil, egg yolks, and pineapple juice. Beat until satin smooth. In large mixing bowl, combine egg whites and cream of tartar; beat to *very stiff peaks.* Pour egg-yolk batter in thin stream over entire surface of whites, gently cutting and folding just to blend. Bake in ungreased 10-inch tube pan in slow oven (325°) 55 minutes; then increase temperature control to 350° and bake 10 minutes longer. Invert pan and cool.

Pineapple Butter Frosting

Cream ½ cup butter or margarine; gradually add 4 cups sifted confectioners' sugar, creaming well. Stir in ⅓ cup well-drained crushed pineapple and 1 to 2 tablespoons pineapple juice. Beat thoroughly. Spread on top and sides of Pineapple Chiffon Cake.

Strawberry Parfait Pie

1 3-ounce package strawberry-flavored gelatin
1 cup boiling water
½ cup cold water
1 pint vanilla ice cream
1 baked 9-inch pastry shell
1 cup sliced fresh strawberries
½ cup whipping cream, whipped

Dissolve gelatin in boiling water. Add cold water. Add vanilla ice cream cut in 6 chunks. Stir till melted. Chill till mixture mounds *slightly* when spooned (20 to 30 minutes). Gently fold in berries. Pour into cooled pastry shell. Chill till firm, 20 to 25 minutes. Trim with whipped cream and berries.

TV Mix

4 cups crisp doughnut-shaped oat cereal
6 cups crisp cereal corn puffs
3 cups bite-size shredded-wheat squares
3 cups slim pretzel sticks
1 pound mixed salted nuts
½ cup butter or margarine
¼ cup bacon drippings
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
¼ teaspoon Tabasco sauce
1½ teaspoons seasoned salt
1 teaspoon celery salt
1 teaspoon garlic salt
1 teaspoon savory

Combine cereals, pretzels, and nuts in roaster pan. Melt butter and bacon drippings; add Worcestershire sauce and Tabasco; mix well, and pour over cereal mixture. Thoroughly combine seasonings; sprinkle over mixture, mixing well. Toast in very slow oven (250°) 1 hour, stirring every 15 minutes. Makes 4 quarts.

Remarkable Fudge

4 cups sugar
1 14½-ounce can (1⅔ cups) evaporated milk
1 cup butter or margarine
1 12-ounce package (2 cups) semisweet chocolate pieces
1 pint marshmallow creme
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup broken California walnuts

Butter sides of heavy 3-quart sauce pan. In it combine sugar, milk, and butter. Cook over medium heat to soft-ball stage (236°), stirring frequently. Remove from heat; add remaining ingredients. Beat till chocolate is melted and blended. Pour into buttered 13x9x2-inch pan. Score, cool, cut in squares.

Sausage Pizza

1 pound Italian sausage
1 1-pound can (2 cups) tomatoes
1 package hot-roll mix
Olive oil
Salt and coarse-cracked pepper
8 ounces Mozzarella cheese, *thin sliced* and torn in pieces
1 6-ounce can (⅔ cup) tomato paste
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 tablespoon crushed oregano
1 tablespoon basil leaves
¼ cup grated Parmesan or Romano cheese

Break sausage in small bits in skillet; fry slowly until lightly browned, about 10 minutes, stirring occasionally; drain off excess fat. Drain tomatoes, reserving ½ cup tomato juice. Cut up tomatoes.

Prepare dough from hot roll mix, following package direction but *using 1 cup warm water* and *omitting egg. Do not let rise.* Divide dough in half. On greased baking sheets, pat or roll each piece of dough into a 13-inch circle. Build up edge slightly.

Brush dough with olive oil and add a layer of cut-up tomatoes; sprinkle with salt and pepper, then cover with the Mozzarella cheese. Drizzle with olive oil (about 1 tablespoon on each pizza). Sprinkle with sausage. Combine tomato paste, reserved tomato juice, garlic and herbs, mixing well; spread over sausage. Dash generously with salt and pepper. Scatter Parmesan cheese over all. Drizzle with olive oil (about 1 tablespoon each). Bake in hot oven (425°) about 20 minutes or till crust is done. Makes 2 pizzas.

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Hints to help you

Red-and-green salads—the ones you like to serve during the holiday season. They can be red-and-green combinations—or red salads on crisp greens. Don't forget cranberries and apples, pimiento, red gelatin. The green touch: lettuce, endive, parsley, or green pepper.

avocado-cranberry mold
green-red cabbage toss
grapefruit topped with pomegranate
chicken mold with pimiento stars
poinsettia Waldorf
olive tomato aspic

Puddings—all kinds. Is your specialty a baked, steamed, or top-of-range pudding? It could be an unbeatable old-timer, or a quick fix-up using any type of packaged pudding—or a pudding-'n-cake mix. Include sauce recipes, too.

plum pudding
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Nesselrode pudding
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cranberry pudding
Indian pudding
holiday rice
cottage pudding with lemon sauce
chocolate bread pudding

THIS MONTH'S WINNERS

(*See recipes on pages 103 and 104*)

Cooks-of-the-Month

Favorite Sauces: Mrs. Hugh W. Sheffield, Sherman, Tex.

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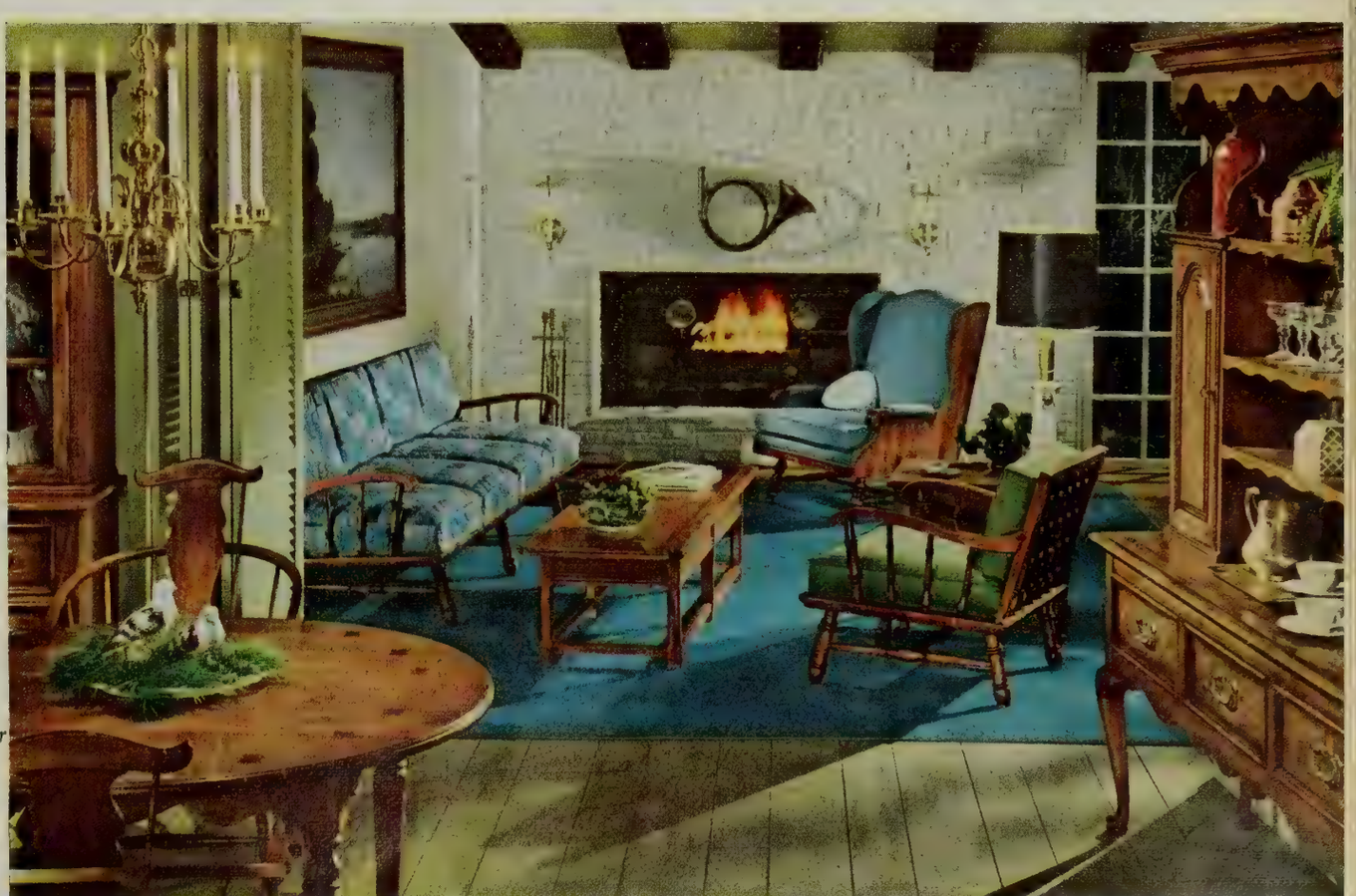
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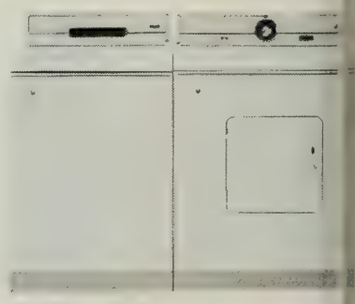
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Natural History building across The Mall. Its exhibits include the Hope Diamond and realistic, life-size scenes from American Indian cultures. The Smithsonian is open only until 4:30 P.M., so you may not be able to see everything you want in one visit.

A 10-minute walk from the Smithsonian is the Washington Monument. A ride to the top costs only 10 cents, but many teen-agers like to prove that they can run up the 890 steps. From March 15 through Labor Day, the monument is open until 11 P.M.; you may prefer to take it in at sunset to see the city lighting up, or after dark when festive floodlights illuminate the Capitol and the memorials.

In the evening, you can choose from a variety of entertainments. At 8:30 P.M., Sunday through Friday, the armed services bands and a symphony orchestra hold free summer "Watergate Concerts" aboard a barge anchored in the Potomac just off the Lincoln Memorial. It's fun to listen to these concerts from the shore, or from a canoe floating quietly on the dark river. (Canoes can be rented at the Water Sports Center, foot of 30th Street.) The 4,500-seat Carter-Barron Amphitheater, at 16th Street and Colorado, NW, in Rock Creek Park, features 8:30 P.M. concerts and musical shows from early June through Labor Day (*$1.75 to $3.85*). The Sylvan Theatre, at the foot of the Washington Monument, offers drama, music, educational programs, and ballet from June through August at 8 or 8:30 (*admission free*). The National Park Service annually publishes an outdoor program booklet which gives day-by-day information on these and other events. The new, theater-in-the-round Arena Stage, 6th and M Streets, SW, specializes in serious, *avant garde* plays (*from $2.75 to $3.95*). The National Theater, E Street between 13th and 14th, N.W., presents Broadway shows in tryouts and on tour.

A note on eating and accommodations: Many Washington hotels offer family rates from $4 to $9 per person daily, two persons to a room, with children under 14 free when they sleep in the same room with their parents. You can obtain a list of these hotels from the Washington Convention and Visitors' Bureau, 1616 K Street, NW, Washington 13. Ask the bureau also for a blue sheet, "Seeing the Nation's Capital," which lists major points of interest, with hours and prices (if any), and for a restaurant guide.

Second Day: Washington, D.C.

Directly north of the Washington Monument is the White House, logical starting point for your second day. Park your car—you'll need it this afternoon—in one of the downtown garages or lots near the Treasury Building. *Promptly* at 10 A.M., be in the line at the White House gate on East Executive Avenue. Conducted tours leave at frequent intervals between 10 A.M., and noon, Tuesdays through Saturdays. You see only a small part of the White House, but this includes the State Dining Room, the East Ballroom, and the Blue Room. Occasionally, visitors glimpse the President.

From the White House, head down Pennsylvania Avenue. If your children collect stamps, stop at the Post Office Building (12th Street entrance) and visit the Philatelic Sales Agency and Exhibit (*Monday through Saturday, 9-5*). It has interesting displays on stamp design and manufacture, and part of the department's $5 million international collection of stamps is on exhibit.

Farther down Pennsylvania, at 9th Street, is the FBI, high light of the Washington trip for many youngsters (*open Monday-Friday, 9:15-4:15*). The free one-hour tour includes peeks at lab experts examining evidence, and views of such crime collections as Dillinger's private arsenal. There is also a shooting gallery where G-men demonstrate fast-fire accuracy with hand guns and automatic weapons.

Two blocks up 10th Street from the FBI is Ford's Theater, where Booth shot Lincoln. The building houses the fascinating collection of the Lincoln Museum (*admission 10 cents*), but it may be closed for reconstruction by the time you get to Washington. Check with the National Parks Service to learn if and where the collection has been moved—probably somewhere in the immediate neighborhood, for directly across 10th Street from Ford's Theater is The House Where Lincoln Died, which has been refurnished in period style (*admission 10 cents*). The deathbed pillow, stained with the great President's blood, is still in the room where he lay.

Now load your family in the car and drive south on 15th Street toward the Tidal Basin, site of the annual springtime Cherry Blossom Festival. After crossing the short bridge between the Tidal Basin and Washington Channel, bear right to the Jefferson Memorial. This shrine is less popular than Lincoln's, but equally impressive.

As you leave, avoid the main stream of traffic across the Potomac. Keep to your right and cross a short bridge; then, bearing left, follow Ohio Drive past the Watergate to Lincoln Memorial, Washington's most inspiring site.

You will undoubtedly want to taste Washington's exciting international atmosphere and catch a touch of what its devoted citizens call "Potomac fever." Drive north on 23rd to Constitution Avenue, right on Constitution, then left again on 17th Street. You will pass the Pan American Union, the Memorial Continental Hall of the D.A.R., and the American Red Cross. Turn right on K Street and make a quick left on 16th. In the block beyond the Statler Hilton is the Russian Embassy. Go around Scott Circle and head northwest on Massachusetts Avenue. Now you are in the embassy quarters. First you pass the Philippine, the Chilean, the Canadian embassies; then, beyond Dupont Circle, the international settlement really flourishes. Help your kids identify the national flags fluttering over the entrances of these foreign outposts. Park at Massachusetts and Belmont Road for a quick visit to the Islamic Mosque (*Monday-Wednesday, 1-6; Friday, 1-5; Saturday and Sunday, 10-5*). You must remove your shoes to enter this exquisite

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shrine of Mohammed, where the walls gleam with magnificent tiles, and the floor is a soft, multicolored sea of oriental carpeting.

After cruising around the residential embassy area, head south on Connecticut to Dupont Circle and turn right down New Hampshire Avenue to 26th Street for a visit to the Wax Museum (*hours, 9-9; admission, 75 cents; children 6-12, 50 cents*). The museum's life-size and surprisingly convincing tableaux effectively bring American history to life. Allow the rest of the afternoon for this visit, which will make the remainder of your trip more meaningful.

Third Day: Washington, Mount Vernon, Arlington

Get up early, park near the Washington Monument, and visit the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, 14th and C Streets (*8-11, 12:30-2, Monday through Friday*). On the 30-minute tour, you will learn how money is made; $29 million worth of folding green rolls off the presses here in an average day.

Then cross the Potomac on the 14th Street bridge and turn onto Mount Vernon Memorial Highway. A lovely 15-mile drive along the Potomac takes you to Mount Vernon, the plantation where George Washington lived on and off for 45 years (*hours: 9-5; October-February, 9-4; admission 75 cents, teen-agers 40 cents*). You can lunch at the Tea Room where waitresses in 18th Century costumes serve until 3 P.M. weekdays and 4 P.M. Sundays and holidays (*average lunch, $1.50*), then continue your visit in the afternoon. Mount Vernon can also be reached from Washington by excursion steamer that leaves Wilson Line Pier at 10 A.M. and 2 P.M. A one-way trip takes 70 minutes. (*Round trip; adults, $2; children under 12, $1.20.*)

If your family is still in the mood for old mansions, visit the Custis-Lee Mansion (*25 cents*) in Arlington National Cemetery. This was the home of Robert E. Lee after his marriage to Mary Custis, great-granddaughter of Martha Washington. Drive through the cemetery to watch the hourly changing of the Honor Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. (*The cemetery closes at 7 P.M. in the summer, the Custis-Lee Mansion at 6.*) North of Arlington Cemetery, off Ridge Road, is the famed Marine Corps Memorial showing the famous flag-raising at Iwo Jima—well worth a side trip.

Fourth Day: Washington, Frederick, Harpers Ferry, Antietam, Gettysburg (150 miles)

Leave Washington by Massachusetts and Wisconsin Avenues (Highway 240) to reach four-lane thoroughfare 240-70S for Frederick, home of Francis Scott Key (45 miles). In this little, old-fashioned Maryland town you can also visit the house of Barbara Frietchie, whose defiance of Rebel soldiers was immortalized in a Whittier poem (*open 9-5, admission 35 cents*). Then take your youngsters to a near-by plaque which marks the home of the first President of the United States—*not* George Washington, but his predecessor, John Hanson, who presided under the Articles of Confederation prior to the Constitution and Washington's election. It will be a tricky bit of knowledge for the kids to take back to school.

Then follow Highway 340 west for a 28-mile drive through pleasant foothill country to Harpers Ferry, the site of John Brown's daring 1859 raid on the Federal Armory. Harpers Ferry nestles on a mountainside where the Shenandoah joins the Potomac, and you can climb this slope to a lookout point, "Jefferson's Rock," where you stand on West Virginia soil and look across to both Maryland and Virginia. The museum in the old Paymaster's House is open 8-7 in summer.

Just west of Harpers Ferry, Highway 340 passes the "Civil War Showcase," probably the high light of this part of the trip for youngsters (*summer hours, 10-7; admission, $1, children 50 cents*). The Showcase's 33 acres cover a battle area whose earthwork fortifications are still intact. Every attempt is made to bring Civil War history to life for youngsters; there are exhibits, a specially made 26-minute movie, and a mock Civil War battle every Sunday in which anywhere from 40 to 150 men participate. There are demonstrations with bull-whips and rifles, too, and youngsters can shoot Civil War muskets loaded with blanks (*15 cents*). On weekends, parents can park their kids with "Johnny Rebel" and "Billy Yank," school teachers who run clubs to "train" youngsters in military discipline and drilling, musketry, camping, and tent-pitching; and there are 20-minute burro rides for 25 cents.

Reliving the Civil War at the Showcase is fun, but the tragic aspects of this conflict are brought home at Antietam National Battlefield near Sharpsburg, about 15 miles north. The battle here between Lee's and McClellan's troops, on September 17, 1862, marked the bloodiest day of the Civil War: some 23,000 men were killed or wounded. You can make a 10-mile car tour around the battlefield, starting at Park Headquarters, where maps and guides are available. The tour usually takes more than an hour, but can be



done in less by taking in only the National Cemetery, the Burnside Bridge, and the area of Bloody Lane and Dunkar's Church, where Union General Sumner lost 2,000 men in 20 minutes.

To reach Gettysburg from Antietam (58 miles), take Highway 65 to Hagerstown, then Highway 11 north to Highway 16, right on 16 across Blue Ridge Summit, then left on 116 into Gettysburg, which you should reach just in time for dinner.

Fifth Day: Gettysburg and toward Valley Forge (up to 120 miles)

Start your Gettysburg day at the brand-new National Park Service Visitor Center overlooking the field where, on July 3, 1863, the third day of the Gettysburg battle, Union artillery and rifles chewed up General Pickett's magnificent, mile-wide Rebel infantry charge. A few of Pickett's 15,000 men penetrated the Federal lines, and the place where they finally fell is now called the "High Water Mark," for from that moment the South was in decline.

At the Visitor Center (*open 8-5*), a free 12-minute slide lecture will immediately orient you on what to do and see—first, the Center's museum, with its 30 exhibits, including a Civil War cannon with all equipment. Then take your children to the Center's famous cyclorama (*same building; 50 cents, children under 12, free*) to see a 358-foot-long painting, whose vivid battle scenes are dramatized in a 16-minute narration accompanied by martial music, the sounds of battle, and special lighting effects.

From the Visitor Center, go directly to the Gettysburg National Museum (*admission 53 cents; youngsters 12-15, 32 cents*) for its battle exhibits and half-hour re-creation of the three-day fight, in which colored lights mark the changing positions of the forces on a large relief map.

You can tour the battlefield in your car, following a free folder put out by the National Park Service (a 25-cent handbook explains even more), or you can hire a government-licensed guide to come along. His fee is $5 for a two-hour tour, or $3 for the one-hour, abbreviated version. The park area is essentially unchanged from the days of the Civil War. The land is still farmed, still retains its character, and the exteriors of the old buildings, all of which played a part in the battle, have been restored. A monument in the National Cemetery marks the site where Lincoln gave his Gettysburg Address. The tour also takes you past the eastern boundary of President Eisenhower's farm.

If your day started at 9:00, it should be after 3:00 by now and time to pack the family car and head north on Highway 15 to the Pennsylvania Turnpike (29 miles). It's 90 miles farther to Valley Forge (Exit 24), where there are several motels. Or interrupt your trip at one of the earlier turnpike exits, all of which have convenient motels.

Sixth Day: Valley Forge and Philadelphia

"Naked and starving as they are," George Washington wrote, "we cannot enough admire the incomparable patience and fidelity of the soldiery." He penned this tribute at his headquarters at snowy Valley Forge, where his exhausted Continental Army had arrived on December 19, 1777, after retreating from the Philadelphia area. Of Washington's 11,000 men, 3,000 soon died of disease and cold. For six months, the army remained encamped at Valley Forge, waiting for spring to thaw the frozen ridges and put renewed vigor into the soldiers' tired bones. Today, Valley Forge is a Pennsylvania State Park (*no admission charge*). The Washington Headquarters Building is in almost perfect preservation; forts and defensive battlements are still intact. Markers and monuments pinpoint historical sites. Trees will be green when you arrive, but with a little imagination, an hour's tour (*buildings open daily, 9-5*) may give your family a good idea of what life must have been like for Washington's men as they waited out the winter and readied themselves for victory over the Redcoats.

From Valley Forge, a 45-minute ride along expressways brings you into downtown Philadelphia for a visit to the Franklin Institute. The museum is open 10-5 Tuesday through Saturday; 12-5 on Sunday. We suggest you immediately get a museum map for a listing of special show times. Admission is 75 cents, students 50 cents, and includes the planetarium. Most of the exhibits, which cover every phase of technology from railroading to atomic energy, can be operated by visitors.

Of Philadelphia's many restaurants, Old Original Bookbinders (sea food) is probably the most famous. For accommodations, check with the Philadelphia Convention and Visitors' Bureau, 16th and Pennsylvania Boulevard, as early as possible. Most leading hotels feature family rate plans, with children under 14 free when accompanied by parents. Minimum rates for a double usually run from $8 to $12.

Seventh Day: Philadelphia to Bucks County (25 to 35 miles)

Old Philadelphia is a city of narrow streets and traffic jams, so park your car near Independence Square and forget it until you are ready to leave. In late spring and summer, a free 50-minute tour forms every half hour (*from 9-5*) at Independence Hall; it covers the immediate area, which is the center of this National Historical Park. The high point of your tour

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From the Olympia, a short walk brings you to Christ Church, where plaques mark the pews of Benjamin Franklin, George Washington, William Penn, and other historic figures.

Two blocks away is Elfreth's Alley, the oldest still-inhabited street in the United States. Its brick houses and cobblestone walk date back to 1690.

Turning west on Arch Street, just short of Elfreth's Alley, you will see an American flag hanging over a door. Most appropriately, it marks the Betsy Ross House (*open 10-4:30; free*), where she stitched the flag adopted by the Continental Congress in 1777. Two blocks farther down Arch Street is Benjamin Franklin's grave.

At lunchtime, you may want to buy some sandwiches and take them to lovely Washington Square Park for a picnic under the trees. It is hard to realize that countless Americans—who were prisoners of the British—are buried here. They died in Philadelphia jails the same winter Washington camped at Valley Forge.

After lunch, leave town by way of Fairmont Park to visit one or more of the perfectly restored and beautifully furnished Colonial houses in that area. Admission to these houses is usually 25 cents, children 15 cents, though some are free. Most close at 5:00.

From Fairmont Park, get on Highway 1. Follow it for about 15 miles then branch left on Highway 413. In Langhorn, turn right onto 432, go six miles to Yardley, and there make a sharp left turn at the traffic light on Upper River Road. If it is Saturday or Sunday and still before 5 o'clock, you will want to stop one mile north of Yardley, at Edwin P. Alexander's hobby Railroad Museum (*free, donations accepted*). Your children can ride a model train with a 1,000-foot main-line track, two engines, and eight cars, each car large enough to hold two youngsters.

Another 12 miles and you come to New Hope, the picturesque artists' capital of Bucks County, Pennsylvania, and a favorite weekend spot for New Yorkers and Philadelphians. There are several motels (*average rates, $10 double*) and more expensive lodges; on weekends phone ahead for reservations There are also several excellent restaurants in the area (Canal House, Logan Inn, Chez Odette, Tow Path House), but they are not cheap, and this will probably be your most expensive vacation evening, especially if you take advantage of the summer theater atmosphere. Bucks County Playhouse features popular Broadway shows (*evenings except Sunday, 8:30; matinees Wednesday and Saturday, 2 P.M.; from $1.50 to $4.75*). Across the Delaware River, Lambertville's Music Circus, housed in a huge tent, offers musical comedies and variety programs (*Tuesday-Friday, 8:30; Saturday, 6 P.M. and 9:30; Sunday, 7:30*) and jazz programs (*Monday, 8:30*) from the end of May through September (*from $1.25 to $3.95*).

Eighth Day: New Hope, Washington Crossing

Start the last day of your trip by strolling through New Hope for a look at its interesting houses and shop windows. Then retrace your steps of yesterday and drive three miles south on Highway 32. Turn right to Bowman's Hill, where a 100-foot fieldstone tower marks a lookout point from which Revolutionary scouts observed British troop movements on the other side of the Delaware. The top of th tower affords a beautiful panoram of Pennsylvania and New Jerse farm land.

At the foot of the exit road an across the highway is the Thom son-Neeley House, "The House Decision," (*open daily 10-5, Sund 1-5; free*), where General Georg Washington and his staff, mac plans for crossing the Delaware an attacking Trenton, Christm night, 1776.

You can picnic in the park c stop at the restaurant at the Bow man's Hill turnoff before contin ing to the south portion of Wash ington Crossing Park. The famou Emanuel Leutze painting "Washington Crossing the Dela ware" hangs in the auditoriu of the Memorial Building; a 1 minute taped lecture tells the stor of the picture (*auditorium open week days 9-5, Sunday 10-6; free*). Just few steps from the Memorial is th spot where Washington's arm jumped off across the river to th attack. It took Washington's 2,40 soldiers six hours to ferry across th icy Delaware in the dark, but th crossing put them into a tactic position from which they could fa on the British and Hessian rear an bottle them up in Trenton.

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By Jessie Walker

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Books are stored on adjustable, wall-hung shelves; household records are kept in file cabinets painted to match the room's color scheme. Everything is within arm's reach.

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Plaid fiber rugs, the kind usually used on porch floors, are the wall covering. These rugs, stapled to the wall areas beneath the baseboards and the ceiling moldings, hide a cracked wall.

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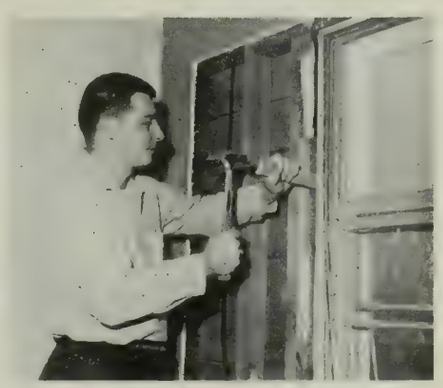
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Simpler than you think—

A sliding glass door

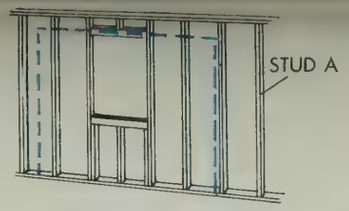
Like a skylight, a sliding glass door brings the outdoors inside, and in addition, gives you ready access to your patio. Most glass-door companies will install the door for you as part of the purchase price, if you prepare opening.

With the help of your glass-door salesman, decide which type door would be best for you. When you pick the kind you want, get the rough opening measurements and start to work. You can probably do it all in a day if you organize well.

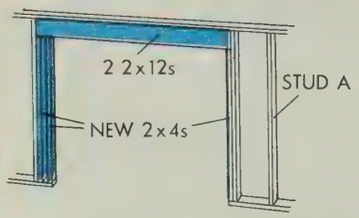


With a bayonet saw, cut through the exterior sheathing and siding on the sides and at the top of the opening. Use the edge of the plaster or dry wall as a guide. Notice that you also cut through the 2x4 floor plate. This way, the door will rest on the subfloor, making a smoother installation.

Knock the siding and sheathing off, leaving the studs bare and ready for removal. You should buy a large plastic drop cloth to protect your floors during the wall removal operations and to make cleanup easy.



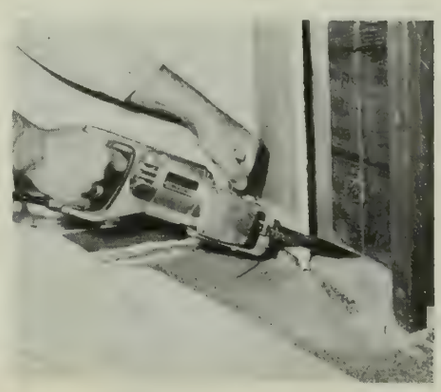
Here's an X-ray view of a typical wall. The area where the glass door will be installed is shown by the dotted red line. Note that the right side of the door is located at the thickness of one 2x4 from stud A.



Here's the rough opening completed (new members in red). 2x4s hold up 2x12 header. One 2x4 is nailed to stud A, then as many as necessary are nailed to the opposite stud to make the correct opening measurement.

Start by marking the exact rough opening measurement plus one inch all around on your wall. Locate stud A and, about $\frac{5}{8}$ inch in from it, draw a vertical line to the rough opening height of the door plus one inch, measured from the subfloor. Now lay out the top line and other vertical line.

Cut along these lines with a bayonet saw, then remove the baseboard, plaster, and insulation. You can remove a double-hung window by driving a narrow board between window frame and the studding around it.



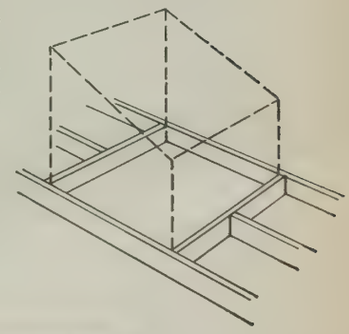
Cut along dotted lines

Simpler than you think—

Install a skylight

A skylight brightens up a dark room in a way that no amount of artificial light can do. And, it works every day of the year. Even on the cloudiest days, the outside light is still many times brighter than most electrically lighted rooms. You can easily install a skylight yourself in a day, even though it means cutting a hole in your roof. The secret is to plan everything in advance and to have on hand all materials and tools you'll need. Look over the component parts of the skylight and make sure you have all details worked out in your mind.

Build a plywood sleeve between the roof and the ceiling, to keep light from diffusing into the attic. Skylights are usually designed to span three rafters. This means that you will have to cut a section out of the center rafter and the corresponding ceiling joist, nailing 2x4 headers across as shown in the drawing. Make the sleeve from $\frac{1}{2}$-inch exterior plywood. Paint it white inside before installing. Cut the ceiling opening and slide in the sleeve as a unit. Do this before opening the roof. Plan carefully so that the inside of the sleeve will be exactly the right size to receive the ceiling unit of the skylight, and the inside of the top will be the rough opening size as specified for the skylight itself.





After the sleeve is installed, drive a long nail through the roof at each inside corner. Draw a chalk line between these nails as shown to mark the rough opening size. To double-check before you cut, set the skylight in place to see that it lines up properly. With a linoleum knife, cut the shingles along the chalk lines; then remove them.

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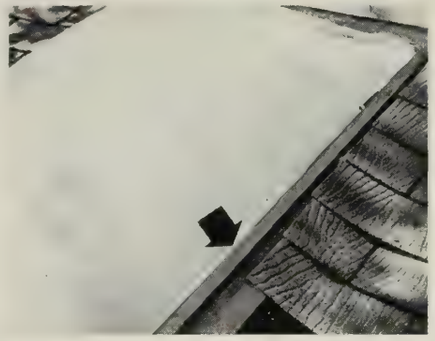
Use a saber saw or bayonet saw to cut through the sheathing under the shingles. If all your measurements have been correct, the saw blade should run along the inside of the plywood light sleeve.

Be careful that, as you cut it out, the sheathing doesn't fall through into the room below. On a roof sheathed with plywood, you'll be able to take up the cutout as one piece. Otherwise, remove each short length of board as you cut through it.



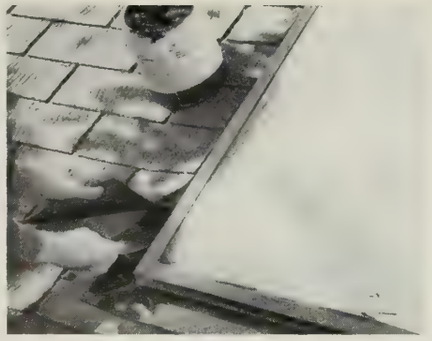
Now set the skylight in place over the opening and note the area of shingles that you must trim away on the sides to let the bottom of the skylight lie against the roof sheathing. Note also that the shingles overlap the flange of the skylight.

After trimming the shingles, shove the skylight into place as shown, letting the shingles ride over the flange at the sides and top. The flange along the bottom lies on top of the shingles.



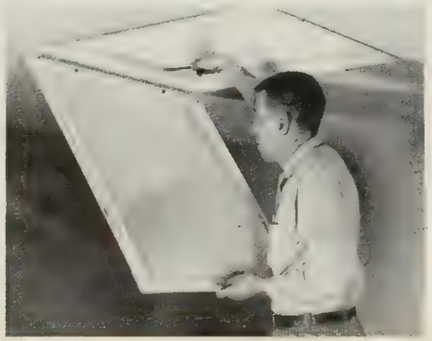
Seal the skylight in place with asphalt roofing cement. Spread it under the shingles at the sides and top and under the flange at the bottom. Nail through the shingles and flange into the roof sheathing.

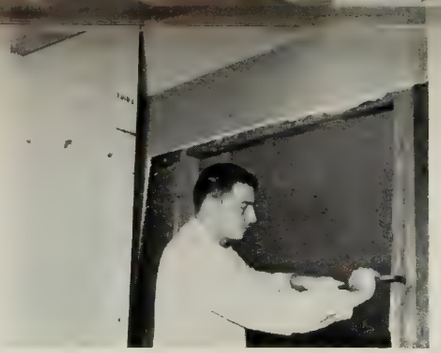
Finish off by spreading a liberal coat of cement over the shingles and the flange at the bottom, covering the nail heads and insuring that there is a weatherproof seal between the shingles and the skylight. Use plenty of cement and care here.



Install the ceiling fixture last, to minimize chances of damaging it with something dropped from the roof. Slip it inside the plywood sleeve and screw it in place. Put in the plastic diffuser, making sure the inside of the skylight dome and diffuser are clean before you close up the job.

You might want to seal the joints of the plywood sleeve to keep out attic dust. With most fixtures, no extra wooden finish molding around the outside is necessary. Touch up ceiling paint if necessary.





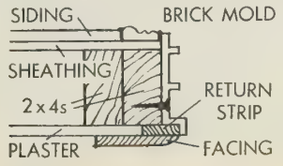
Make the header from two 2x12s or other stock wide enough to fit exactly between the top plate and the rough opening height. Slide the header up between the interior and exterior walls (as shown).

Cut the 2x4s beforehand and drive them into place as you hold up the header. You need help here. Shim behind these uprights as necessary to make them come to exact rough opening width. Nail to existing 2x4s.



Trim around the inside of the door with door casing molding. Nail a thin wood return strip to the casing at the sides, to fill the space between the door frame and the rough opening 2x4.

If the flooring or carpeting doesn't come snugly against the door frame, finish out this space with a thin strip of wood. The wall shouldn't need more than a minor touch-up or two with paint.



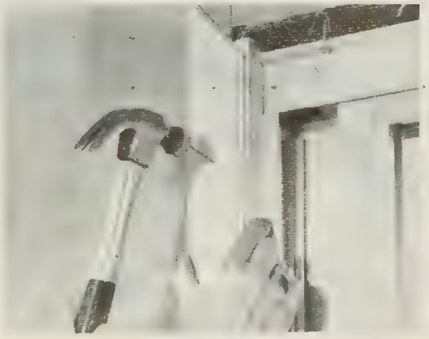
Brace the ceiling joists as shown, with a 2x4 against the ceiling, held in place by another 2x4 to the floor. Now cut through the studs at a slight angle to make them easier to remove. Also take up the section of floor plate in the door opening.

Use large end-cutters to nip off the nails sticking down from the top plate, so the new header will fit snugly against it.



The rough opening is now complete, and you can set the door in place. If the door isn't preglazed, you can install it easily, but if the glass is already in it, leave the installation to a professional.

Wedge the door in place with wood wedges, making sure it's plumb and square in the opening. Fasten it in place with screws through the frame. Make sure door works properly before glaziers put in glass.



Trim the outside with brick molding. Trim away siding so molding fits between edge of siding and door frame. Use a bayonet saw. After painting molding, calk all around.

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Plastics from your oven

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Molding plastics are usually sold only to industrial users and are not available to the public. We have pinpointed one specific form suitable for craft use, however. And, it is one of the least expensive.

In addition to the things we show on page 62, you might make panels for lighting fixtures, accessories to use with plants, or trays, small window panes, or any other use you can devise.

The plastic comes in pellet form and looks like clear little crystal beads. Depending on how long they are heated in a 375° oven (from 15 to 45 minutes), they can be softened to barely adhere together or melted to form a nubbly or even a completely flat surface.

Melted pieces will have little bubbles in them like Venetian glass. (Use a clock or timer to remind you to look in oven every ten minutes while a piece is baking). A slight chemical but nontoxic odor is given off during heating process.

Plastic is flammable like animal fat, so do not expose it to direct heat such as from a broiler. In the oven, it is as safe as a beef roast.

The size of the piece you make is limited only by the size of your oven and molds. Thickness can be varied as desired. It is reworkable and can be reheated in the oven with more pellets or color added. Previously shaped pieces may be fused together just by letting their edges touch.

Because the plastic becomes viscous rather than completely liquid, and in order to insure even thickness, you should level pellets before placing them in oven. To avoid a sharp edge, bevel them away from the edge slightly with a pancake turner. It is normal for the plastic to make crackling noises as it cools. You may even hasten the cooling process with water.

Molds: Because it does not adhere to metal when cool, the plastic can be formed in thin, flexible cake pans or on baking sheets. Or you can use salad molds, tin sandbox toys, and cooky-cutters (placed on pan as base). Even molds you form out of heavy aluminum foil may be used, as well as disposable foil pans that have had embossing smoothed out with a hot iron.

Avoid ring molds. Instead, use a smaller mold inside a larger one to make a hollow circle. Plastic is hard to get out of glass dishes because they do not flex as metal does. So if used, they should be lined with aluminum foil.

The hot plastic will be soft and malleable when taken from oven. If it has been softened over foil, and you work quickly with gloves on, it can be bent or shaped.

Thin sheet aluminum, sold in hardware stores, can be used for forming a piece too big for a pan. Or use a makeshift base contrived by completely covering corrugated paper with foil. This tends to give off a disagreeable odor if heated too long. Do not use fiberboard in the oven—it is toxic.

Scraps of fiberglass paneling, such as that sold for screens and windows, can also be used. Fiberglass is a thermosetting plastic and does not adhere to the thermoplastic pellets. And it is re-usable.

If sharp edges form during the molding process, they can be filed off. Or the piece can be returned to the oven on a metal base—but without its mold—just long enough to soften sharp edges.

Frames: Because plastic will adhere to wood (which is porous), unpainted picture frames, embroidery hoops or strips of wood nailed together can be used as permanent frames. Plastic is melted directly into frames, with metal base underneath. Wood will darken somewhat in oven but will not burn. Frames should be weighted down during cooling to avoid warping.

Almost anything—paper, wire, glass chips, pebbles, foil, Christmas tree icicles, shells, dried leaves, seeds, yarn, or butterflies—can be embedded in pellets. Any embedment which would tend to scorch or burn should be protected by a complete layer of pellets about 3/16 in. thick, both under and over it. Nonflammable materials do not need to be completely covered.

Colored tissue paper produces translucent stained glass effects; opaque papers make silhouettes. Art work can be done on tissue with chalk, black India ink, or some liquid water colors before embedding.

Colorants: Pellets themselves can be dyed inexpensively before molding, by using brilliant colors of blackboard chalk. Into enameled pan, grate about ½ inch of chalk stick for each cup of pellets. Add water to cover. Bring to boil, stirring frequently until nearly dry (about 15 minutes). Dump pellets out on pad of newspaper and spread to remove excess moisture.

Partially melted pieces can also be painted with the special decorative enamels designed for plastics. This enamel, sold in hobby shops, is opaque if used full strength, translucent if sufficiently diluted with its thinner. It does not change color when heated. After enamel dries, more pellets can be added, and piece reprocessed in oven until pellets adhere.

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How to pick just a PLAIN MUTT

By Kellar Breland

When you choose a mongrel puppy, you can never be very sure about what he will grow up to be. However, careful observation of a few general rules can help you avoid the pup destined to be a huge shedding beast or a nervous biter of mailmen.

An examination of the mother of a litter of mongrel pups can give you some clues. In general, female pups in a litter will tend to be about the same size as the mother, while males probably will grow up to be bigger.

However, if the mother is quite large, her pups will probably be smaller than she is. The opposite is true if she is quite small. Pups which have physical characteristics that are more like the mother's than their brothers' and sisters' will probably have personalities that are more like Mom's, too.

The puppies in an average litter will begin to show size differences at about six or eight weeks. You can get an indication of adult size by looking at their feet. Pups with feet that seem much too big for them will soon grow up to fit their feet, you can be assured. You can tell about their hair length pretty well at this age, too. The little ball of fuzz will more than likely grow up to be a woolly fellow who will require constant grooming to keep him—and your home—neat.

When you go to see a litter of pups, study them all until you can tell them apart. Watch the mother for signs of overprotectiveness. Even if the pups are asleep when you arrive, they should wake up and be ready to play quickly. The average litter of pups will vary considerably in their reaction to strangers. They will range from those who bounce up without hesitation and jump all over you, to those that cower in a corner, looking scared. It is better to avoid both extremes of behavior.

After you have watched the puppies for a while, suddenly clap your hands. The pups that dash away in alarm are likely to be oversensitive dogs. The normal pup may jump, but he will show signs of alert curiosity about the sudden noise.

Make sure you get a healthy pup. Look for runny eyes or nose, coughs, or signs of diarrhea, all of which may indicate virus infection or worms. Pot-bellied pups, thin across the ribs and hips, are pretty sure to have a bad case of roundworms. Look also for skin infections, often hard to cure.

If your pup has one purebred parent, you can expect that the characteristics of that breed will show up, but not as strongly.

Even though your mutt won't have the fine points of physical conformity or special skills of a purebred, he will probably have a comfortable blend of talents to make him a good, all-around dog. For the family who simply wants a dog to share their lives and be a good companion, a mutt is a good bet.

Check these points to pick a pup

Is the mother about the size dog you want?
Is the pup the biggest in the litter? Smallest? Medium?
Does he have big feet and legs?
Does he have long or short hair?
How about health? Any signs of worms, skin irritations?
Is the mother friendly when you approach?
Is the pup friendly without being too boisterous?
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No longer a cramped little cubicle, the eating area is just a step away from the cooking top and serving counter. Elimination of pantry wall also made possible a planning desk which doubles as a buffet-serving table at mealtimes.

Ovens are in a storage wall that holds cleaning supplies, off-season gear, canned goods, portable appliances.

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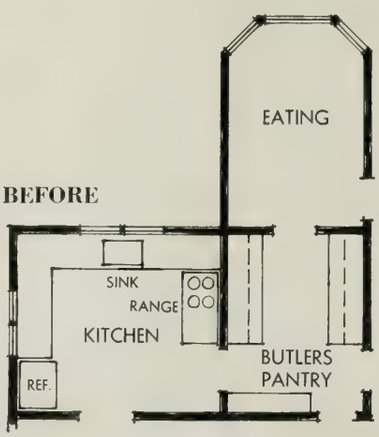




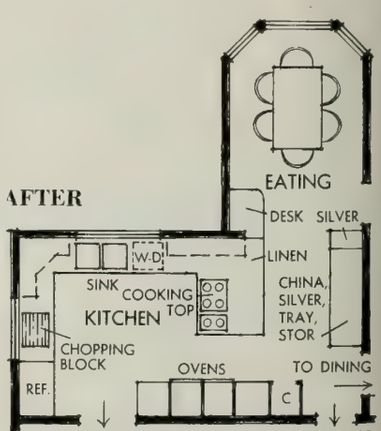
Everything's within easy reach since Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Weil of Highland Park, Illinois, remodeled. Taking out the pantry walls opened eating area to the kitchen and created a wide counter to save steps in serving. Roomy cabinet for dishes and linens is handy to both kitchen and eating area. Thin cabinet between counter and upper cabinet uses space often wasted. Holds seasonings, spices.

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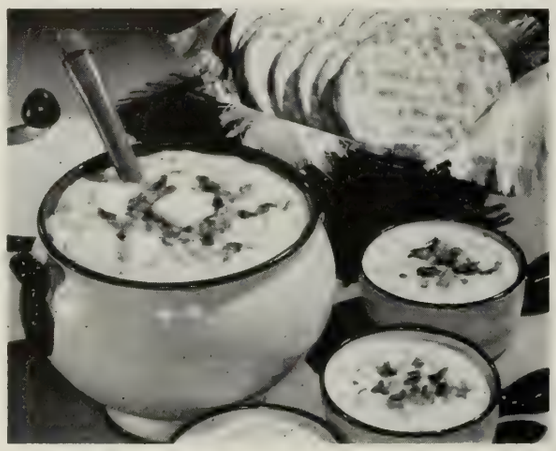
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Corn Chowder
The modern version of this New England classic starts with a can of celery soup—

5 slices bacon
1 1-pound can (2 cups) whole kernel corn
1 medium onion, thinly sliced
1 cup diced raw pared potatoes
½ teaspoon salt
1 can condensed cream of celery soup
1½ cups milk

In large saucepan, cook bacon till crisp. Remove bacon, reserving drippings. Drain corn, reserving liquid. To bacon drippings in saucepan, add reserved liquid, the onion, potatoes, and salt. Cover and simmer 15 minutes or till vegetables are tender. Add soup, milk, and corn; heat through. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Crumble bacon over chowder. If desired, drop in a pat of butter. Makes 5 or 6 servings.

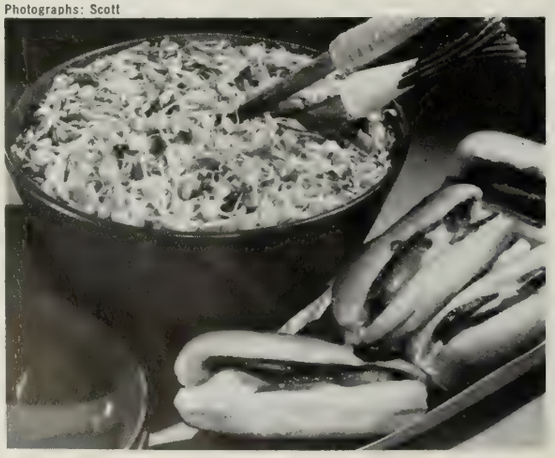


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A main dish of glorified scrambled eggs—

1 12-ounce can luncheon meat, cut in julienne strips
3 slightly beaten eggs
1 1-pound can (2 cups) golden cream-style corn
¼ teaspoon salt
Dash pepper

Brown meat in a little hot fat (reserve a few strips for garnish if desired). Combine eggs, corn, and seasonings; add to meat. Cook over low heat only till eggs are just set, stirring occasionally. Six servings.

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Calico Coleslaw
For your first barbecue of the season, spark a traditional slaw with corn—

4 cups finely shredded crisp green cabbage
1 12-ounce can (1½ cups) whole kernel corn, drained*
½ cup finely chopped onion
¼ cup chopped green pepper
¼ cup chopped pimiento
½ teaspoon salt
½ to ¾ cup mayonnaise or salad dressing

Combine first 5 ingredients. Chill thoroughly. Just before serving, add salt and mayonnaise; toss lightly. Six to 8 servings.

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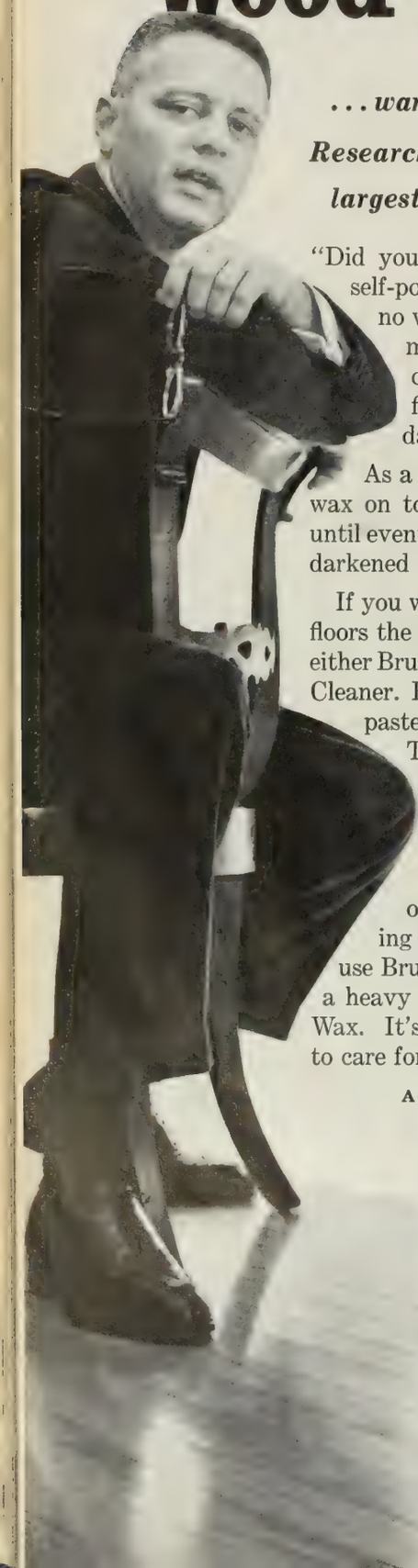
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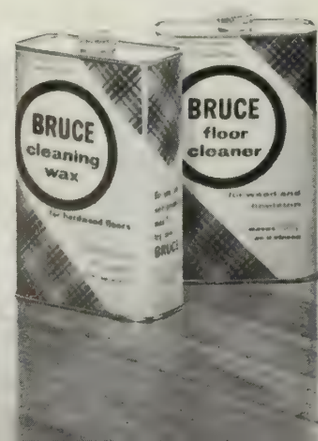
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With Better Homes and Gardens WESTERN FIELD EDITOR Norvell Gillespie

We have half a dozen rice-paper plants (tetrapanax) in o Oriental garden. However, they are becoming somewh weird and distorted in their old age. They are picturesq and we hate to get rid of them entirely. Can they be save by pruning? ***C.O., Chula Vista, Californ***

Most tropicals are fast growers—and these are perfe examples. They can be cut back severely to any height from 15 feet back to 8 feet or even down to 2 feet if nece sary. Buds will break readily to form new branches. R moval of the flower heads which appear later in the seas often helps to keep the foliage wide and large. It's a goo idea to dig out soil suckers as soon as they appear. Th helps keep the mother plant within bounds.

We enjoyed nice growth on our Oriental poppy clump last year, but for some reason the flowers bloomed wit short stems. Any reason for this? ***E.H., Bend, Orego***

This was a fairly common complaint during 1961, ar this was traceable mainly to the long drought through whi so many of us suffered in the West. Oriental poppies no mally produce long flower stems when the plant is kept we watered while the stems are forming.

Quite a few of the leaves of my azaleas are either yello or veined with deep yellow. What chemical can I apply correct this condition? ***S.R., Riverside, Californ***

Chlorosis (this is what it is) has become an increasi problem for home gardeners up and down the coast. Azale are real acid-lovers. If the soil or water is alkaline, th weak, sickly foliage results. Formerly, iron sulfate was re ommended as a control, but now it's possible to buy i proved liquid plant foods for azaleas which are acid a have chelating agents already incorporated, thus making possible to feed your azaleas at the same time you corre the alkaline condition. This same treatment is recommen ed for camellias and rhododendrons which may have sick foliage.

We would like to succeed with a couple of the famo South African silver-trees. Can you give us a few growi tips? ***F.O., Redondo Beach, Californ***

The far-famed silver-trees, originally from the Tab Mountain area in South Africa, are O.K. in California coastal sections anywhere from San Francisco Bay sou to San Diego. The actual growing belt seems to be limit to a narrow strip of land close to the coast. Elsewhere, the tricky subjects are short-lived. They hate hot, dry win frosts, and perhaps most of all, poor drainage.

On the other hand, a small group of these shimmeri trees, known botanically as *Leucadendron argenteum*, are real sight to behold. The best-known plantings are on t W. R. Dickinson estate at Santa Barbara and in the Canada garden of Dr. Samuel Ayres, Jr.

'HERE YOU LIVE!

ve heard it is possible to enjoy iris in bloom virtually nonths of the year in the West, if different kinds are ited. Is this true? *W.G., Spokane, Washington*

can give you a qualified yes for this question. In your , you can get 9 months (10 months in milder areas) of blossoms from February to October. May is the main time throughout the West, when the big, bearded hy- s are in full bloom. They are one of the most interesting colorful of all plants adaptable for western climates and .

he parade of bloom starts off in February with *Iris ulata* which is hardy anywhere in the West. These 6- to ch-high plants have gold markings on their violet- ple flowers. The season ends with the autumn-blooming which are actually twice-flowering iris—hybrids of bearded and dwarf-bearded types.

n between February and September are a host of other sibilities—Dutch, Spanish, and English bulbous iris; *oncocyclus* from the Bible lands; western natives; crest- Siberian, Japanese iris, and more. The ones I've named are ones which can be purchased without much trouble n gardens of iris specialists. The next 60 days are great planting your 1963 year-around iris garden.

uld you recommend the name of a large, pink hybrid rose? We intend to plant a hedge of them across the t of our property and particularly want giant blooms. *Mrs. E.F.J., Pocatello, Idaho*

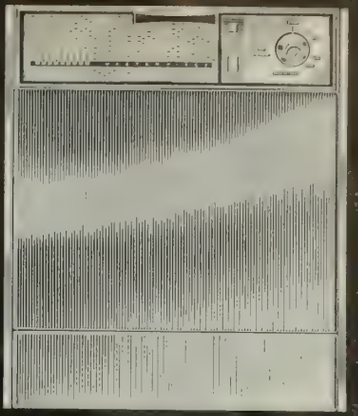
he 1962 introduction, South Seas, would be a wonderful ice for your hedge. The best way I can describe the color o say it's a magnificent deep Tahitian pink—every bit as utiful as some of those travelogue-type South Seas sun- tones. Blooms of this variety open as large as 7 full es and do not shatter easily. I've checked the reports in y test gardens up and down the coast, and it seems to form beautifully under all soil and climatic conditions.

a member of the Occupation Army in Japan after rld War II, I used to marvel at those giant Japanese rning-glories. Over there, the blooms often were the of small dinner plates. Is it possible to get the same ults here? *S.A.F., San Bernardino, California*

Professor Chiura Obata, retired head of the Art Depart- nt of the University of California, has been growing these derful Imperial bush morning-glories for years. It's been trick at all for him to achieve blooms 6 to 8 inches across. prefers to grow his specimens in 6-inch pots, rather than of doors in the ground. By pinching his plants back, he nages to maintain them at a height of 18 inches. Use a d porous soil, but go very light on the fertilizer. If fed well, morning-glories produce an abundance of foliage, few blooms.

ike the ancient Japanese, Professor Obata finds serenity the contemplation of the beautiful blooms, which come ones of carmine, red, white, blue, and lavender. Plants pinched, grow 10 feet or more on a fence and make one he handsomest and quickest growing screens you can have.

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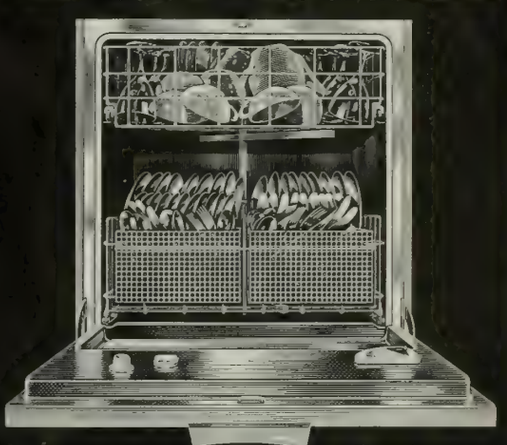
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Almost anyone nowadays is glad to tell you his pet way to lose weight—whether you ask for it or not. But sadly, most of the popular notions about weight reduction are either medically unsound, or they just plain don't work. So before you consider any slimming program, take a look at some ways nutrition experts control their *own* girths. These tips are a primer for getting—and keeping—your waistline within bounds.

"I never diet," says Dr. Charles Best of the University of Toronto, the codiscoverer of insulin. "At least not in the conventional sense. I don't cut out special foods or groups of foods—that's a sure way to defeat the purpose. Fad dieting creates abnormal hungers, and the body regains the weight as fast as it lost it.

"So I eat a balanced diet, but with a little less of everything. I particularly ignore the old adage that says some foods are 'fattening' and others 'nonfattening.' All foods can make you gain weight. And a failure to realize this fact is what dooms most weight-reducing."

"I eat whatever I like," reports Dr. Wendell Griffith of U.C.L.A., a member of the American Medical Association's Council on Foods and Nutrition. "Most of us gain weight very slowly; we eat perhaps 50 calories a day more than we burn. I find it easy to trim that much from my diet. By eating half as much butter for breakfast, a smaller slice of meat, and one roll instead of two, I'm actually *losing* weight. This sounds slow, and it is. But it's fairly well established that no one should try to lose more than 10 or 12 pounds a year without medical advice.

"The beauty of this method," says Dr. Griffith, "is that it soon becomes a habit. Now I ask for a *small* slice of pie, and I savor each bite. I pay attention to what I eat, and realize that I don't really want as much as I had been eating. For me—and for most people—the proper attitude toward food becomes an automatic weight control for life."

"I always eat slowly," says Dr. Frederick Stare of Harvard, winner of the coveted Goldberger award for his contributions to nutrition. "Have you ever noticed that at a festive dinner, you may eat too fast and then suddenly feel *stuffed?* The reason is simple. It takes time for your body's blood-sugar mechanism to signal that your hunger is satisfied—and by then, you have overeaten.

"If you eat slowly, within about thirty minutes your blood sugar rises; you feel satisfied before you can ask for the second helping you don't really want or need. It's too bad so few of us really give this built-in safety device a chance."

"I eat before meals," says Dr. Norman Jolliffe, who heads the New York City Health Department's Bureau of Nutrition. "Before dinner, I eat an orange or some other snack that's not too high in calories. In about half an hour I get partial hunger satisfaction.

"I use another natural body signal, too," he adds. "In a restaurant, for example, I order a salad first, in order to consume a good deal of low-calorie bulk. Half an hour later there is a certain mechanical satisfaction in my stomach—a 'full' feeling. By then I am not quite through with dinner, and I can say, without suffering, 'Just a small dessert, thank you.' "

"I snack," says Dr. Lucien A. Bavetta, professor of nutrition at the University of Southern California. "It's my favorite secret of weight control. I know I'm the eat-between-meals type, so I save a little food for snacking. For example, I omit my orange juice at breakfast, and then drink it during midmorning. At dinner, I don't eat dessert because I'd rather enjoy my cake or pie as a nighttime snack.

"Most of us, by the way, overeat if we confine our eating to three big meals. We consume *less* by eating often, a little at a time."

"I keep moving," says Dr. Herbert Pollack, chairman of the American Heart Association's Committee on Nutrition. "I know I can burn 100 calories with just twenty minutes of walking. So I always get off a bus one stop early and walk home, or I walk one stop before I get on the bus.

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"On the other hand, *violent* exercise like tennis—or exercise that comes in spurts, such as in bowling—may raise the appetite more than it consumes the extra calories."

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Suburban PTAs have heralded foreign language programs in elementary schools by setting up and financing French lessons to be given outside school hours. In Georgia, Iowa, and Ohio, with the help of State PTA Congresses, local units are sponsoring programs of regular school visits by doctors. Throughout the country, but especially in big cities with pre-World War II school buildings, PTAs are installing elementary school libraries by altering rooms and buying and cataloguing books. In Pittsburgh's Taylor Allerdice High School, the PTA supplies volunteers to take over study halls, library assistance, and assembly duty, freeing teachers for more careful lesson preparation or for work with small groups of students who have special problems. In a handful of New York elementary schools, parent volunteers are working individually with children—especially on reading problems—at desks set up in school hallways or in classroom corners.

But these are exceptions. Most current PTA "projects" are just fund-raising exercises, to buy "things the school needs." Such activity takes a disproportionate share of time and often creates nagging arguments about the relative merits of cake sales, book fairs, card parties, and bazaars. And even fiercer arguments may explode when a decision must be made about how to spend the money. In a city in the mountain states, a high-school PTA almost broke up after the Board of Education forbade it to use its considerable funds to build a new grandstand so parents could be more comfortable at basketball games. Such trivial political battles mock the PTA's stated purpose: "the welfare of the child."

Petition-signing, letters to legislators, scheduled "discussion programs," fund-raising drives—these are treadmill activities enough to keep a PTA alive if the right personalities are active and the principal of the school helps to recruit parents. But if this is *all* a PTA is good for, its meetings are a painful waste of time. And it is not surprising, then, that today's huge PTA membership is, by and large, far less effective than the 2,000,000 PTAers were 25 years ago; they knew why they belonged and what they hoped to do.

Here is the crux of the problem. Most PTAs today desperately lack a sense of purpose and an internal organization directed toward its accomplishment. Just what the purpose should be depends, of course, on the school, since all schools have their individual problems. It is impossible to draw a blueprint that would apply to all schools, including your own. But no matter what the needs of your school, your PTA would probably be better equipped to cope with them if you and the other members consistently kept up with the following activities:

A. Finding out about your own school. In 1958, the National Congress published a booklet, *Looking In On Your School*, as a guide for "PTA Fact Finders." This booklet should be in the hands of every local PTA, and it should be used. It does, however, have serious faults, and cannot be followed slavishly. The questions it asks are too general and too numerous, and they are phrased in educator jargon. Some even suggest inaccurate opinions—for example, that a big turnover among teachers is automatically bad, which may not be true. (In university towns or in cities with many branch offices of national businesses, wives of graduate students and of young executives often make excellent teachers, even if the school can hold them only a few years.)

The booklet omits one important question that should certainly be asked: How does your school's average score on standardized tests compare with that of other schools in comparable districts? Your school's scores should always be compared with scores from similar neighborhoods, with similar IQs, rather than against "the national norm." Such tests do not measure everything your school may be trying to do for your children, but any school that uses them must believe that they measure something important.

Where your school shows up poorly, committees of parents and teachers should get together, probably with someone from the superintendent's office, to find weaknesses and correct them. Assistant Superintendent Samuel Shepard followed this pattern when he sought to revitalize schools in the slum districts of St. Louis. He formed PTAs where none had ever existed, showed them charts of test scores demonstrating how bad their schools were *by comparison with slum schools elsewhere*, and persuaded parents to buy inexpensive dictionaries and other home reference books. He also convinced teachers that if they asked more from their students, they would get more. In five years, the average eighth-grade test score climbed from 5.5 to 8.0.

B. Finding out about other schools. Americans are a wandering folk, and roughly ten per cent of all parents move from one school district to another during an average year. As part of the process of getting to feel at home in a new neighborhood, they join the PTA of their children's new school, and they are usually warmly welcomed. But only rarely are they asked to contribute from their past experience, and this is unfortunate. One of the great advantages of the PTA system should be its capacity for carrying information from one school to another. One PTA meeting each year should be devoted to a frank discussion by newcomers of

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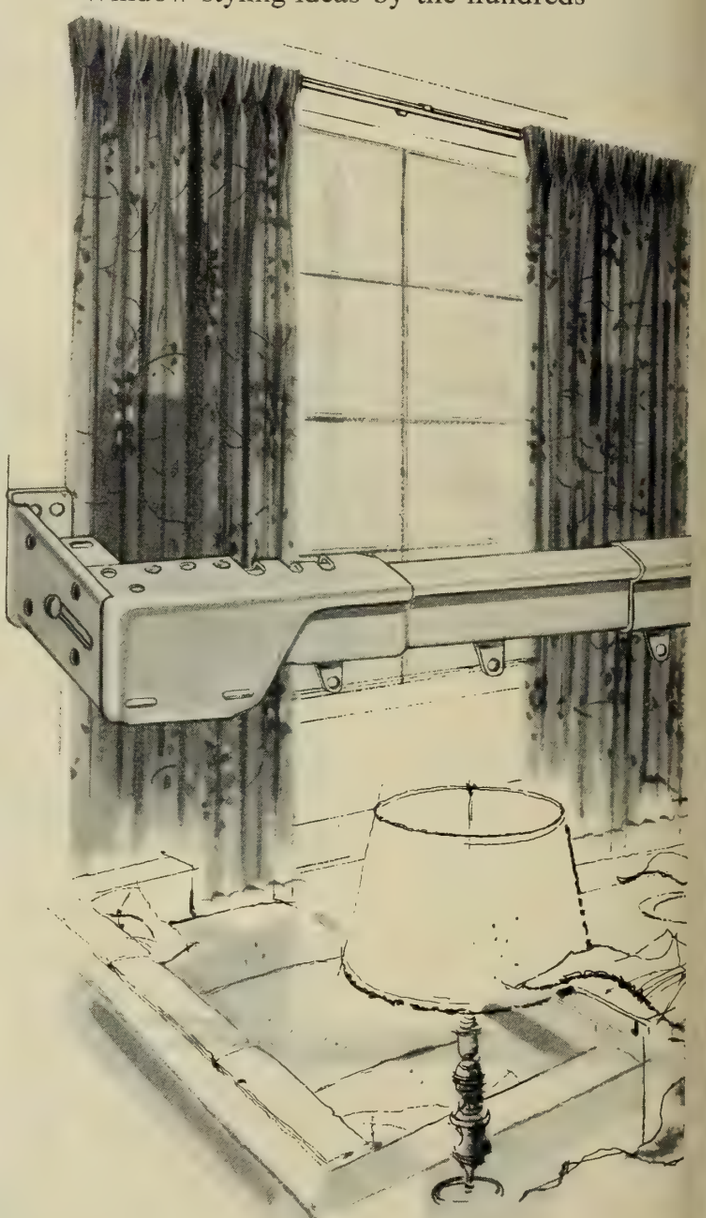
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Liaison among neighboring school districts is often poor in American education, where the principle of local control can easily be perverted for purposes of local empire. Many school administrators do not know—and do not *want* to know—what is happening in the next town or county. But PTAs have no empires to defend, and can easily join in "councils" to share common problems and solutions. The Greater Cleveland Council, an organization of schools and school officers in most of the suburbs of that city, was created for just such a purpose: to share the burdens of research and experiment, and avoid duplicating each other's efforts. This particular council was started by a memo from a school employee, but PTA help and occasional pressure were vital to its growth.

C. Helping teachers. PTAs have fought for higher teacher salaries and stiffer certification requirements to protect teachers' professional standings. Most PTAs also go out of their way to welcome new teachers to a community. But the area where teachers need help most desperately—in maintaining physical conditions suitable for professional work—is an area PTAs generally neglect. Indeed, some PTAs add to the teacher's burden by demanding that schools participate in local fund-raising drives, stimulate little savings accounts, or push accident-insurance programs. Collecting money from children and keeping books on charity campaigns are needless burdens on a teacher's time.

The teacher's efficiency is also gravely affected by certain barbarities in her condition of work. In most American schools, for instance, there is no decent lounge for teachers, and even if there is a lounge, elementary teachers often have no time to use it; they are frequently on duty from before nine until after three, supervising playgrounds or lunchrooms when children are not actually in class. Perhaps the first responsibility of any group of parents is to make sure that the teachers into whose hands they send their children receive at least the coffee breaks and lunch hours given as a matter of course to factory workers. PTA volunteers can handle playground supervision and lunchrooms. Lacking such volunteers, the PTA should pay people for the job.

D. Helping children. Officially—and actually—this is the aim of all PTA activities. Yet there is always more to be done. Does the PTA have a mother at school all day to help in an emergency? Are all street crossings guarded? Is scholarship money available for high-school graduates who should go to college—and does the PTA do anything to help find jobs for drop-outs and high-school graduates who aren't going on to college? Is career guidance left wholly in the hands of school counselors (whose practical experience is inevitably somewhat limited), or are PTA members helping children to learn something of what the real world is like?

Of course, "helping children" can be carried to damaging extremes. Parents should not, for example, try to use the PTA mechanism to seek special help for their own children. Discussions of individual problems at PTA meetings are wholly out of order; it is hard enough to get a candid conversation going between a teacher and a parent in private. On the high-school level, the danger is that PTAs will baby students who shouldn't be babied. A recent press release from the National Congress praised a midwestern PTA for surveying the streets around the high school and distributing to students a map of possible parking places. But surely no adolescent should drive a car until he has the initiative—and the sense—to find his own parking place.

E. Improving school facilities. Most PTA funds are spent on something tangible for one particular school—library books, television sets, water fountains, football uniforms, musical instruments, tape recorders, sound movie projectors, and so on. From a public point of view, this is often unfortunate. It tends to mean that schools in neighborhoods where the parents are well-to-do—schools that already enjoy great natural advantages—will have better equipment than schools in poorer districts. If such equipment is important to education, it should be supplied to *all* schools, through the local Board of Education, not only to those schools where parents can afford to buy it. The National Congress has taken a strong stand on this matter, urging, for example, that once a school library has been established as a pilot project, the Board of Education should take over its expenses and expansion. Nothing saddens national PTA field representatives quite so much as the pride of a local PTA that has bought every gimmick in sight for its own school, while other schools in the same town have only primitive equipment.

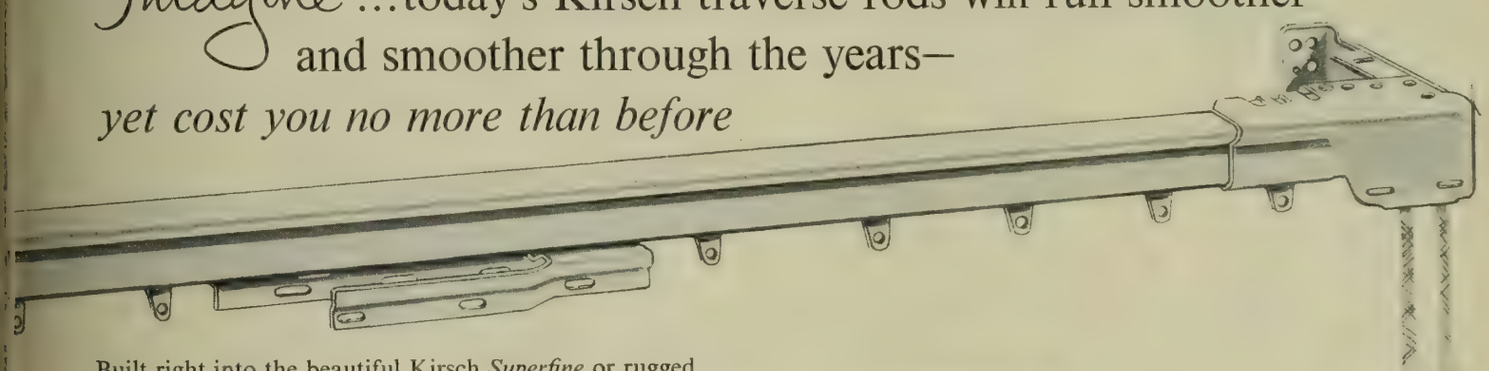
In many schools, physical facilities are demonstrably inadequate. Classes are overcrowded, children are on half-session, washrooms are antiquated, safety is endangered. PTAs should be in touch with the health and fire departments, as well as with the school board, to assure regular inspections, and where bad conditions exist, PTAs should unceasingly and publicly demand correction.

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F. Encouraging experiment and reform. No technique that is radically new—for example, programmed learning, which sometimes uses so-called "teaching machines"—can hope to succeed in a school unless parents sympathize with the reasons for its introduction and help their children take it seriously. In Denver, a new program for the teaching of reading to kindergarten children has relied heavily on PTA help. Local PTAs, however, should not try to push reforms or novelties down teachers' throats. Interest in educational programs should be expressed through city-wide or even statewide councils; in this way, PTAs in the District of Columbia explored the possibilities of "grouping" children according to academic ability, and PTAs in Michigan performed a thorough study of the state's public-school curriculum. It is certainly not true that all questions of education or teaching method should be left to educators—they are too often bureaucrats, running in the rut of what was done last year, not interested in hearing about anything that might upset their machinery. But local PTAs by themselves are simply not equipped to reach conclusions on educational matters. The best they can do is to participate actively in PTA councils and insist that these councils keep investigating (and publicizing) the chances for reform in instruction, whether the superintendent of schools likes the idea or not.

G. Spreading the word. PTA membership did not just grow: people made it grow. Back in the 1920s, the National Congress sent field workers to rural districts to organize PTAs in backwoods schools. Today the problem is to organize or stimulate PTAs in the center of city slums. In her book, *Education and Income*, Patricia Sexton illustrates this point with figures on PTA membership in the city of Detroit. In elementary schools where the average income of parents is under $5,000, each 100 students supplies only 10.1 PTA members; in schools where the average income of parents is over $9,000, each 100 students supplies 73.8 PTA members. This startling difference has nothing to do with the costs of joining. PTA dues have remained low—rarely more than a dollar a year, of which the National Congress takes only five cents, a figure that hasn't changed since 1901.

Weak PTA participation in the "poor" schools, of course, affects "other people's children." But when a child now in a slum school grows up, he will cast a vote that counts exactly as much as the vote cast by someone educated in a suburb. In short, you cannot escape the slum school by moving to a suburb. Politically, economically, morally, we are all inextricably interconnected, and the future of the child now in a slum school is everybody's business, not just that of his parents.

Here again, the basic work must be done by a PTA council, through which strong local groups can help weaker ones. But it might be possible for suburban local PTAs to "adopt" PTAs from impoverished neighborhoods, the way suburban boy-scout troops help troops from slums. Such tactics will not work all the time, by any means. Despite the mythology of equality, contact across a social class or color line is difficult in mid-twentieth-century America. But slum schools cannot be substantially improved until the parents of the children who attend them become monumentally dissatisfied with the education offered their children. In a very few places—New York and St. Louis are the most remarkable examples—educators have been willing to make trouble for themselves by stirring up such dissatisfactions. In most cities and towns, the job will require strong PTAs to push the slum schools. PTA is not a social club; it is, or ought to be, a crusade.

Purpose is far more important than procedure in strengthening a PTA. Meetings with a purpose are rarely dull; meetings without a purpose are rarely interesting. No one can draw a sensible "blueprint" for a good PTA meeting; everything depends on the meeting and, to a lesser extent, on the personalities in the group. But the following general rules would seem to make sense in most situations.

1. *Hold a minimum of general membership meetings.* A vigorous PTA at the junior high school in Scarsdale, New York, holds only one general meeting a year. Few, if any, PTAs should hold more than four: one near the beginning of the school year, to welcome newcomers and recruit committees; one in the late fall, to hear comments from the newcomers and reports from committees, to plan the fund-raising drive, and to start action toward correcting deficiencies revealed by the committees; one in the winter, to decide the use of the funds raised and to hear reports on the work of the PTA councils, plus perhaps an outside speaker who knows something about some aspect of educational experiment; and one in the spring for reports of accomplishments, congratulations, and the election of next year's officers.

Such a restricted number of general meetings need not curtail any PTA activities. "Discussion programs," for example, can be carried on easily, under PTA auspices, as a committee activity for people who have something to discuss. Other people can skip such programs without any feeling of guilt.

2. *Use parents' interests and talents.* No committee should in any way be restricted as to its membership. Parents interested in sports or nutrition or dramatics or library should automatically join whatever committees deal with these matters. People with hobbies, from carpentry to do-it-yourself hi-fi to gardening, can work with school clubs. On the high-school level, virtually every father can participate in vocational guidance activities by meeting with small groups of students interested in the kind of work he does.

3. *Organize meetings in advance.* The agenda is only the beginning. It is folly in any organization to invite volunteers unless you have already arranged for a few people to step forward. Committee chairmen who will be presenting reports should take the elementary precaution of planting a few questions from the floor. Every public meeting is basically a piece of theater. You don't want to write a script for a PTA meeting, but you always need some prearranged stage effects.

4. *Remember that the work is done by a relatively small number of members meeting with relative informality.* Though a PTA is not a business corporation, it works to some extent along the same lines. Policy is made by an executive committee and executed by individual members of that committee who call on others to help them. The general meeting is like a stockholders' meeting, where information is given out, questions answered, and votes taken to approve or reject management personnel and decisions. The great difference is that the PTA "stockholders" are expected to provide from their ranks both the executives and workers of the enterprise—and that efficiency here is always less important than service.

5. *Don't take attendance.* The job of PTA leadership is not to get parents to come, but to make them want to come. Fifty genuinely interested people make a better PTA meeting than 500 who have been dragooned into attending, just as a committee of five eager members may accomplish more than a committee of 20 who were flattered to be asked by a popular chairlady. Stimulating an interested membership should not be difficult. If the PTA activities actually touch the lives of the children in the school, parents will want to come.

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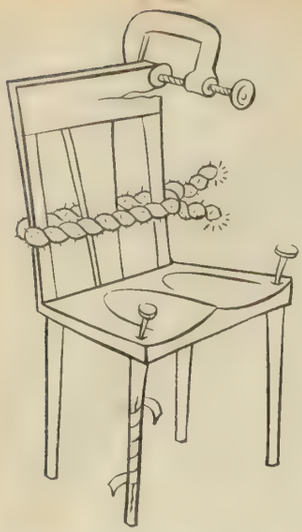
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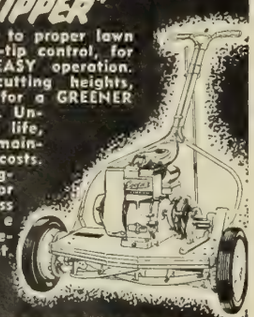
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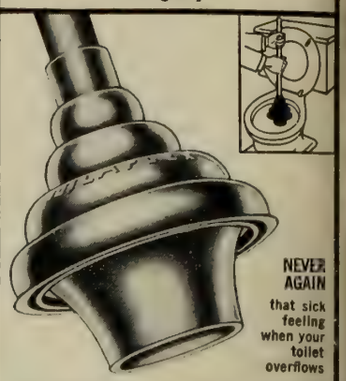


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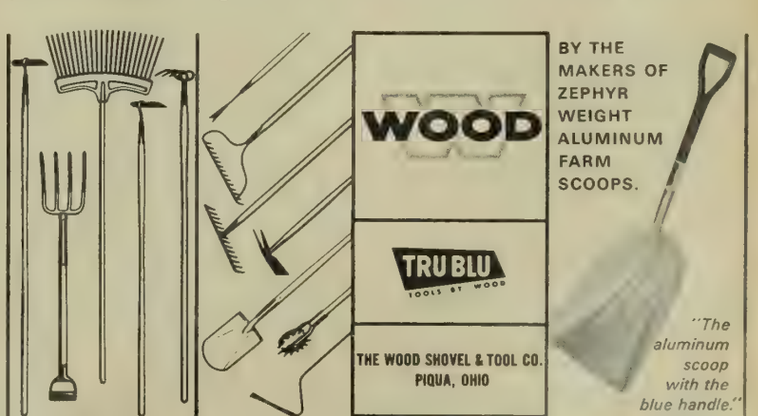
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Division Winners in the *Kitchen & Utility Room Project Division* who win one of the $500 prizes (A, B or C) and use a 1962 *Amana Freezer* or *Amana Freezer-plus-Refrigerator* in the winning entry, *Amana Refrigeration, Inc.* will refund the purchase price of the unit. Please save your sales slips. Installation costs are not included.

American-Standard

Plumbing and Heating Division

Best-of-Contest Winners will receive a cash refund equal to the retail cost of *American-Standard Bathroom, Kitchen* or *Hydronic Heating products* or any combination of these products used in their winning entry.

Division Winners in the *Additions* and *Interiors Divisions* will each be awarded an *American-Standard deluxe food waste disposer (Sovereign model no. AS-205)*, installation costs excluded.

Andersen Corporation

Qualifying Winners in all Divisions who use *Andersen Windows* in their home improvement project will receive a refund of the retail cost of those *Andersen products* used.

Azrock Floor Products

Division of Uvalde Rock Asphalt Company

All Division Winners will receive a cash refund of the purchase price of any of these products if used in their winning entries: *Vina-Lux vinyl asbestos tile*, or *Azrock asphalt tile*.

Benjamin Moore & Company

Best-of-Contest Winners who used *Benjamin Moore Paint* in their winning project will receive a refund of the purchase price of the paint used. Winners must show suitable evidence of the 1962 purchase and use of *Benjamin Moore & Company paints* in their winning projects.

Better Homes & Gardens Books

The 96 *Qualifying Winners* will receive their choice of any one of the *BH&G Books*.

The 12 *Division Winners* will receive a set of three *BH&G Books—Decorating Book, Handyman's Book, Garden Book*.

Best-of-Contest Winners (1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes) will receive a *Better Homes & Gardens True-To-Life Globe*.

Bonus Award. Any winner that submits proof of purchase of the new revised edition of *the Better Homes & Gardens Decorating Book* during the Contest period will be awarded a complete set of 22 *Better Homes & Gardens Idea Books*.

Bird & Son Roofing & Siding, Inc.†

If you are the first prize winner (*Best-of-Contest*) *Bird & Son* will refund the purchase price of *Wind Seal Shingles* or *Architect Shingles* (materials only), if used in your winning entry.

Bird & Son: Free Trip-To-Acapulco Contest

If you need a new roof, you have a chance to win a new *Bird Wind Seal Roof* fully installed on your own home and two free weeks for two in fabulous Acapulco. Write for details about this separate *Bird & Son* Contest to: Bird & Son, Dept. CD-B, East Walpole, Massachusetts.

†Bird & Son's Corollary Prize and Corollary Contest are offered to all entrants except those residing in the following states: Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah and Washington. Corollary contest prohibited by law in Wisconsin and Connecticut.

Bridgeport Brass Co.

Hunter Douglas Division

Flexalum Patio Aluminum Awnings. Best-of-Contest Winners and/or *Exterior Division Winners* will receive full refund of purchase price up to $1,000 when they use a *Flexalum Patio Aluminum Awning* (or window awnings) in their home improvement projects.

E. L. Bruce Company

All *12 Division Winners* who use *Bruce Wall Paneling* or *Prefinished Flooring* in their winning entry will be refunded the purchase price of the paneling and flooring.

Carrier Air Conditioning Company

Best-of-Contest Winners will receive a *Carrier climate center* completely installed free of charge if a *Carrier year round Weathermaker System* is used in their winning project. Winners must show evidence that their system was purchased during 1962.

The Celotex Corporation

The 9 *division winners* in the 3 classifications *—Interiors, Additions, Kitchen and Utility Rooms*—will receive cash refund covering the cost of *Celotex Hush-Tone acoustical tile*, if used in their winning entries.

Crane Company

Best-of-Contest Awards

1st Prize Winner will receive a cash refund equal to the retail cost of any 1962 purchase of *Crane bathroom, "heating* or *air conditioning" products* if used in the winning entry.

2nd Prize Winner will receive a cash refund equal to the retail cost of any 1962 purchase of *Crane "bathroom* or *heating" products* if used in the winning entry.

3rd Prize Winner will receive a cash refund equal to the retail cost of any 1962 purchase of *Crane "bathroom" products* if used in the winning entry.

Winners must show suitable evidence of purchase and use in winning entry.

Delco Appliance

Division of General Motors Corporation

The *First Prize Winner* (*Best-of-Contest*) who has installed a *GM-Delco heating system* in his winning entry during 1962 will receive a free *GM-Delco air conditioning unit* up to five ton. If both *GM-Delco heating and air conditioning* have been installed during 1962, the retail price of the air conditioning (equipment only) will be refunded.

Ekco Products Company

Best-of-Contest Winners will be presented with these stainless steel cooking utensils:

First Prize Winner—12-piece *Master Deluxe Flint Stainless Steel Cookware Set*.

Second Prize Winner—11-piece *Flint Stainless Steel Cookware Homemaker's Set*.

Third Prize Winner—9-piece *Flint Stainless Steel Cookware Family Set*.

Kitchen-Utility Division Winners will be presented with a G-2488 *Flint Cook & Serve* 7-piece Counter "Susan Holdster" Set.

The Formica Corporation

Kitchen-Utility A, B, C, Division Winners using *Formica laminated plastics* in their winning entry each will receive an additional $500 in prize money.

Friedrich Refrigerators, Inc.†

Contest Winners will receive the purchase price of their *Friedrich home air conditioning products* when used in their winning entry.

†Corollary prize offer will be confined to those entrants residing in the following states: Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas.

Frigidaire Appliances

Kitchen and Utility Rooms Project Division

Best-of-Contest Awards

If you win *1st Prize*, product costs will be refunded on any or all of the following 1962 *Frigidaire products* purchased: *Refrigerator, Range, Food Freezer, Washer and Dryer*, or *Room Air Conditioner*.

If you win *2nd Prize*, product costs will be refunded on any or all of the 1962 *Frigidaire Appliances* purchased mentioned above except the *Washer and Dryer*.

If you win *3rd Prize*, product costs will be reimbursed on any or all of the following 1962 *Frigidaire products* purchased: *Refrigerator, Range, Washer* or *Dryer*.

Top Three Division Winners

If you win one of the top three Division prizes in the *Kitchen-Utility Division*, product costs will be refunded on either a 1962 *Frigidaire Refrigerator* or *Range* purchased. Only one prize awarded per winner.

Final winners of *Best-of-Contest Awards* will not be eligible for *Division Prize Awards*.

Winners must produce satisfactory evidence of their product purchase and cost.

General Electric Company

Major Appliance Division

If you win any one of the three *Kitchens and Utility Rooms Division $500 prizes* and you have used a *1962 Model General Electric refrigerator, freezer, range, washer, dryer, dishwasher*, or *food waste disposer* as a part of your winning entry, the *Major Appliance Division* of *General Electric Company* will refund your actual purchase price. Please save your sales slips (installation costs are not included).

Glidden Company

Best-of-Contest Winner whose winning entry is in the *Exterior Division* will receive the following prizes from the *Glidden Company:*

1. A free decorating and color-styling recommendation for FIVE rooms, consisting of a choice of 3 color schemes for each room with color suggestions for walls, woodwork, drapery fabrics, upholstery fabrics and accents all built around the color of the floor covering, plus a guide for buying articles of furniture and furnishings showing the basic designs for seven different styles of decorating that are popular today. 2. Five gallons of *SPRED SATIN* the original 100 percent latex finish for interiors. Choice of colors. 3. Five quarts of *SPRED LUSTRE* semi-gloss enamel in colors to match the *SPRED SATIN*. 4. Three gallons of ceiling flat white *SPRED SATIN*. 5. One *"Handi-Dad" Kit* containing one quart *Rustmaster Primer* for metal, one quart of *Rustmaster Enamel* metal finishing coat (choice of colors), one can of *Japalac Spray Enamel*—aluminum, one can of *Japalac Spray Enamel*—gold, one can of *Japalac Spray Enamel*—clear, one can of *Silicone Slick Spray*, one quart of *Xpert Wood Finish* and one-half pint of *Spred Patch*. 6. One plastic drop cloth. 7. One 4 inch *Spred brush*. 8. One roller and tray set. 9. One 2 inch enamel brush.

Gulistan Carpet

Qualifying Winners in *Interior Division* will receive refund of purchase price of any *Gulistan Carpet* used, *up to 20 square yards*, exclusive of padding and installation.

Interiors Division Winners will receive refund of purchase price of any *Gulistan Carpet* used, *up to 30 square yards*, exclusive of padding and installation.

Best-of-Contest Winners: 3rd prize—refund of purchase price of any *Gulistan Carpet* used, *up to 40 square yards*, exclusive of padding and installation; *2nd prize*—refund of purchase price of any *Gulistan Carpet* used, *up to 50 square yards*, exclusive of padding and installation.

First Prize Winner will receive *full refund* of purchase price of *all Gulistan Carpet* used, exclusive of padding and installation. Winners must show suitable evidence of purchase price and actual use of *Gulistan Carpet*.

Homasote Company†

The *12 Division Winners* will receive refund of the purchase price of *Homasote Insulating Building Board Products* used in their winning entries.

†Corollary prize offer is made to all entrants residing in states east of the Mississippi River and in Arkansas, Colorado, Iowa, Louisiana, Minnesota and Missouri, and in Canadian Provinces of Ontario, Quebec and New Brunswick.

The Hoover Company

To *Best-of-Contest Winners*, the *Hoover Company* will make the following awards:

First Prize—Hoover Convertible Cleaner with attachments, *Hoover Shampoo-Polisher*, and *Hoover Electric Floor Washer*.

Second Prize—Hoover Convertible Cleaner with attachments and *Hoover Floor Washer*.

Third Prize—Hoover Convertible Cleaner with attachments.

Each of the 12 *Division Winners* will be awarded a new *Hoover Electric Floor Washer*.

Hotpoint

Division of General Electric Company

If you are one of the 96 *Qualifying Winners*, 12 *Division Winners* or 3 *Best-of-Contest Winners, Hotpoint* will be pleased to refund to you the cost (average retail price) ‡ of any of these 1961 or 1962 "Satisfaction Guaranteed" *Hotpoint Appliances* used in your winning entry: *Cabinet Ranges, Town & Country Ranges, Built-In Ovens, Built-In Surface Units, Dishwashers, Disposalls, Washers, Dryers, Water Heaters* and *Electric Baseboard Heat System*.

‡If you prefer, you may select any *Hotpoint Appliance* of comparable cash value.

Bonus Awards. If winners use *any 3* of the above *Hotpoint Appliances, Hotpoint* will also award the following: $1,000 Savings Bonds to *Best-of-Contest Winners*, $500 Savings Bonds to *Division Winners* and $200 Savings Bonds to *Qualifying Winners*.

(Attention Kitchen Contractors: If one of the above *Bonus Winners* buys three *Hotpoint Appliances* from you, *Hotpoint* will award you a DA35-C *Dishwasher*.)

In-Sink-Erator Manufacturing Co.

In-Sink-Erator Garbage Disposers

All 24 *Winners* in the *Kitchen-Utility Division* using *In-Sink-Erator Garbage Disposers* will receive cash in the amount of the published retail price of the *In-Sink-Erator product* used. Evidence of purchase, with model number of unit purchased, must be submitted to *In-Sink-Erator Manufacturing Company*.

Johns-Manville

Best-of-Contest Winners will receive a cash refund of the retail purchase price of any of the following products if used in their winning entries: *J-M Asbestos Roof Shingles, J-M Standard or Seal-O-Matic Asphalt Shingles, J-M Strongbord or Weathertite Sheathing, J-M Rock-Shake or Aluminum Siding, J-M Spintex or Fiber Glass Home Insulation, J-M Decorative or Acoustical Ceiling Panels, J-M Gypsum Wallboard, J-M Terraflex or Asphalt Tile Flooring, J-M Corrulux Translucent Building Panels*. Winners must show suitable evidence of purchase and use in winning entry.

Kelvinator

Best-of-Contest Winners (1st, 2nd and 3rd) and to *Winners* of the *Kitchen and Utility Rooms Division: Kelvinator* offers to refund the purchase price of any one of the following *Kelvinator major appliances* used as part of the winning entries: *electric refrigerator, electric range* (either freestand or built-in), *food freezer, electric washer, electric dryer, room air conditioner* and *dishwasher*.

Refunds will not include any installation cost of the appliances. Satisfactory evidence of the purchase price paid must be submitted.

Kimberly-Clark Corporation

Qualifying winners in the *Interiors* and *Kitchen & Utility Rooms Divisions* who use any type of *Marvalon Decorative Coverings* (shelf lining, drawer lining or adhesive covering) will receive a cash refund equal to the retail price of the *Marvalon* involved. Winners must show proof of purchase during 1962 and use in prize-winning project.

Kirsch Company

Division Winners in the *Interiors, Additions, and Kitchen and Utility Rooms Division* receive refund of the purchase price o *Kirsch Drapery Hardware* purchased in and used in the winning entries.

KitchenAid

The *Best-of-Contest First Prize Winne* receive a *KitchenAid Superba VariCycle washer*, front finished in winner's choic stallation costs are not included.

To the top *3 Kitchen-Utility Division wi KitchenAid* offers to refund the purchase of any new (KD-14 series) *KitchenAid washer* used as part of the prize-winnin tries. Only one prize awarded per winne funds will not include any installation Satisfactory evidence of the purchase price paid must be submitted.

Kohler Company

Plumbing Fixtures Division

Best-of-Contest Winners (first, second third prizes) will receive a cash award eq the cost of fixtures and fittings for a com *Kohler bathroom*, or *powder room*, or *k and utility* or *laundry room. Kohler fixtur fittings* must have been used in winnin improvement projects.

Kroehler Manufacturing Comp

For each of the 3 *Final Winners in the Int Division Kroehler Manufacturing Con* will award $300.00 worth of *Kroehler fur* to be selected from any of the following sions: *Valentine Seaver Originals, Sterlin signs, Smartset Designs*, sofas, section chairs; *Sleep-or-Lounge* dual purpose *The Sofas with a Secret;* Dining Room Bedroom Suites. Arrangements will be by *Kroehler Manufacturing Company* wit certified winners for their selection in ac ance with availability of fabrics, style colors at the time winners are announced

Marsh Wall Products, Inc.

Division Winners in the *Interior, Ado* and *Kitchen-Utility Divisions* will receiv fund equal to the purchase price of *M paneling* used in their winning entries

The Masonite Corporation

Best-of-Contest Winners in 1) *Interior Re ing*, 2) *Exterior Remodeling*, 3) *Room Ad* categories will be refunded the full retai chase price of *Masonite* brand products in their project entry. Winners must pr satisfactory evidence of purchase of ge *Masonite Royalcote, Peg-Board, Seadrift s* or *underlayment*.

Mautz Paint & Varnish Compa

To all winners of the contest (exterio terior, additions and kitchen-utility):

1. 5-gallons your choice any *Mautz ir paint* including famous *Mautz Rubber Latex Paint*.

2. 5-gallons any *Mautz exterior paint*.

3. If you are a winner and have used *Paint* in your project, you will receiv gallons interior *Mautz Paint* plus 10-g exterior *Mautz Paint*.

†Corollary prize offer will be confined to entrants residing in the following states consin and Illinois.

National Gypsum Company

To the *Best-of-Contest Winner: The Na Gypsum Company*, manufacturer of *Gold Building Products*, will award a cash equivalent to the retail value of any *Gold Building Products* used in the Winner's This does not include the cost of install *The National Gypsum Company* will also an equivalent amount to the Dealer who se *Gold Bond Building Products* to the W

Libbey Division of Owens-Illin

All Division Winners will be presented gift boxed set of *Libbey Glassware*.

Plywall Products Company

Division winners in the *Interiors classifi* and in the *Additions classification* will funded the full retail purchase price *Poly-Clad Plywall wood paneling* used ir winning entries. Installation costs are n cluded. Winner must produce satisfactor dence of purchase and use of *Poly-Clad wall paneling*.

Progress Manufacturing Co., I

Best-of-Contest Winners (1st, 2nd and 3r receive refunds of prices paid for *Pr lighting fixtures* used in winning projec stallation costs are not included.

Research Products Corporation

Best-of-Contest Winners (first, second third) will receive refunds of prices pa *RP E Z Kleen Air Filters* and an *RP Ap Humidifier* purchased and installed in award-winning home during 1962. St proof of purchases must be provide installation costs are not included.

†Corollary prize offer is made to all en residing in the following states: Col Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Ken Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Mo Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South D West Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyomin

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mpson Timber Co.
Division Winners will receive refund of rchase price of all *Simpson products* includ-; plywood, doors, acoustical and insulating ard and redwood products if used in their nning entries. Suitable proof of purchase ist be provided.

celly Oil Company†
alifying Winners in *Interiors Division* who ve specified *Skelgas* as home heating fuel in ir project will receive $50 cash bonus. *vision Winners* in *Interiors Division* who ve specified *Skelgas* as home heating fuel in eir project will receive an additional $100 sh bonus. *Best-of-Contest Winners*, if from *teriors Division*, who have specified *Skelgas* home heating fuel in their project will re-ve an additional $100 cash bonus.
orollary prize offer will be confined to those trants residing in the following states: Colo-io, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, ssouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, uth Dakota, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

ylon Ceramic Tile Corporation†
st-of-Contest Awards. If in the winning en-, *Stylon Ceramic Tile* is used and installed a professional tile contractor,
prize winner will receive a cash prize of 50; 2nd prize winner will receive a cash prize $150; 3rd prize winner will receive a cash ize of $75.
l persons who used *Stylon Ceramic Tile* in eir remodeling projects in 1962 are eligible enter the corollary:
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tylon's Corollary Prizes and Corollary ntest are offered to all entrants residing in e United States except Alaska, Arizona, lifornia, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, ah and Washington.

ne Tappan Company
tchen and Utility Rooms Project Division st-of-Contest Awards
rst Prize: Product costs will be refunded on e following 1962 *Tappan kitchen units* pur-ased: *Range, Refrigerator, Dishwasher, Range od, Sink* and *Disposer.*
cond Prize: Product costs will be refunded the following 1962 *Tappan kitchen units* rchased. *Range, Range Hood* and *Dishwasher.*
ird Prize: Product cost will be refunded on e 1962 *Tappan Range* purchased.
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inners of the top three Division prizes in e *Kitchen and Utility Rooms Division* will be funded product cost of the 1962 *Tappan shwasher* purchased.
OTE: *Best-of-Contest Award winners* will t be eligible for *Division* prize. All winners ust have used an all *Tappan kitchen* to quali-for awards.

emco, Inc.
l *Division Winners* in the *Interior* and *Addi-n Divisions* will be reimbursed the purchase ice of all *Temco Heating Products*, including e-Vents, *Wall Heaters, Al-Koves, Floor rnaces* and *Central Heating*, used in their nning entry. Please save your sales slips stallation costs not included).

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terior and Addition Division winners who e a *U. S. Koylon Foam Mattress* and *Match-g Box Spring* in their winning entry will be funded the retail purchase price of the *oylon Mattress* and *Box Spring*. Winner must ow suitable evidence of purchase and use in nning entry.

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terior and Addition Division winners who e *Naugahyde* or *Naugaweave vinyl fabrics* r re-upholstering furniture or as wall cover-g in their winning entry will be refunded the ll retail purchase price of the *Naugahyde* or *augaweave fabric* used. Winners must show itable evidence of purchase and use in nning entry.

. S. Plywood Corporation
ll Division Winners will be reimbursed for ie cost of *U. S. Plywood Weldwood* products ed in their winning entry, plus an equivalent nount in cash. Winners must show suitable vidence that products used are *Weldwood.*

Vaste King Universal
ouble your award! All $100 and $500 awards the *Kitchen and Utility Room Division* will matched by *Waste King Corporation* with a eck in the same amount if the winner can ow proof of purchase during 1962 of a *Waste ing Universal gas* or *electric built-in range* or *ctric drop-in range*, and *dishwasher* and *food aste disposer* used as a part of his winning try.

Travel trailers

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you've got to drive like crazy to get to a motel so you're sure to get space. With our rig, we just pull off on a sheepherder's trail and settle down for the night. And we're all together to see the sun come up again in the morning."

Keith Brown used a pickup-truck "camper" on his five-week jaunt. He had the five youngest children sleep crosswise on the double bed that juts out above the truck's cab. His two oldest youngsters slept in bunks that opened lengthwise along the cabin, well above the floor. Then the dinette seats converted easily into a double bed for Keith and his wife. "We didn't have any trouble sleeping the seven kids," he says. "But we had to eat in shifts because we couldn't fit everybody at the table at once!"

In the camper-coach, the passengers can ride in the living unit while the vehicle is in motion. (In travel trailers, they cannot.) An intercom system is available so the driver can hear everything that's going on in the coach, and can even carry on a conversation. "We could put the youngest children in the back and hear them breathing in their sleep as we drove along," says Keith.

In many cities, it is possible to rent a camper-coach. Typical prices in the Midwest: $60 a week if you rent the living unit alone; $75 a week if you rent both the truck and the living unit. Some rental agencies add on a mileage charge—for instance, six cents a mile for everything over 100 miles.

Travel trailers, too, are enormously popular; more than 250,000 families own them, and at least 25,000 others rented them last year. There are now a number of travel-trailer clubs that you can join on long, leisurely "travel-trailer caravans." Of the network of travel-trailer camps all over the nation, those in national parks are free, while those privately owned or in state parks charge from 50 cents to $2.50 a day (or $2 to $14 a week). In some camps, you will find not only connections for the trailer's utilities—heat, light, water, gas—but also shower rooms, laundries, television hookups, even swimming pools. For a dollar, the Mobile Home Manufacturers' Association (20 N. Wacker Dr., Chicago 6, Illinois) has a 162-page booklet listing the locations, costs, and facilities of 975 privately owned and 1,060 government parks throughout the United States, Canada, and Mexico.

Trailers range in cost from $900 for 12-foot-long units without much in the way of luxuries to about $7,000 for 30-foot "self-contained" models with all the utilities needed for family living. The average travel-trailer price is about $1,800.

One very important consideration: You must have a trailer hitch for your car. For small trailers, the hitch costs $25 to $35 to buy (or $3-$5 a week to rent) plus another $5 to $7 to install. For the larger trailers—those weighing

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Camping wagon opens up like a small van.

Several manufacturers now offer an economical junior-size bus that can be completely equipped for camping purposes. An amazing amount of gear (and children) can be accommodated; the interiors vary considerably from model to model, and many owners virtually custom-design their own facilities inside. Colorful canvas awning is one accessory; it slides on metal pipes that hook onto the wagon. This camping wagon makes a convenient "people-bus" in the city. Prices are comparable with conventional station wagons; add the cost of any special camping gear you buy.

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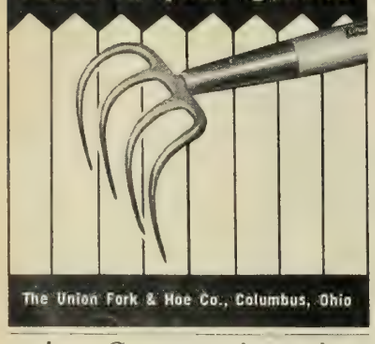


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Travel trailers

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1,500 pounds or more you need a more elaborate hitch with a load-equalizer to keep the car from running with its front end high. This hitch is a permanent installation (it cannot be rented), and will cost you $50 to $100. In some states, you will also need trailer brakes that can be operated from the car.

Here are some other tips for home-on-wheels vacationing:

Speed. These trips are not designed primarily for fast driving. In fact, in most states you are barred by law from traveling more than 45 mph while hauling a trailer. If you live in Chicago and want to squeeze, say, a leisurely ten-day trip through Rocky Mountain National Park into a two-week vacation, you would do better to fly to Denver and rent an auto and trailer there, rather than try to make a 2,000-mile round trip between Chicago and Denver, driving a car and hauling a trailer.

Food. You can save money and a good deal of time on the road by planning your meals ahead. The canned and frozen foods available today make a lively diet possible at reasonable cost. (But you must be sure your cooling or freezing compartment can preserve foods at the proper temperature.) Keith Brown says his family concentrated on things the children liked—such as meat loaf and casseroles.

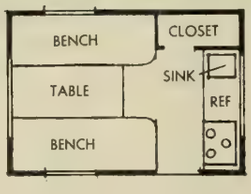
Clothing. Most homes-on-wheels have closet space, though not a great deal. Light clothing, informal and suitable for camping out, is usually recommended. In many towns nowadays, coin-operated laundries are open day and night, so you can get your clothes cleaned without much fuss.

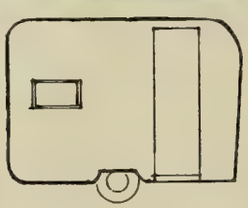
Gas consumption. Hauling a travel-trailer will cut at least one-third from the mileage you customarily get in your auto; a common figure is about 10 miles per gallon. However, the camper-coach on the back of a pickup cuts the mileage of the truck very little.

Repairs. Contrary to popular belief, a travel-trailer will not work any undue hardship on the transmission of your car, assuming you drive with normal precautions. The rear tires on your auto may wear a bit faster than usual; but the tires on the trailer will outwear your auto tires, largely because you cannot "corner" on them.

Fallout shelter. Since a trailer or camper is designed for extended family living, it makes a good basic unit for a home fallout shelter. A combination trailer garage and radiation (but not blast) shelter made of concrete blocks has been designed by the Mobile Home Manufacturers' Association; plans are available at the address above.







Even small trailers have surprising space.

Most compact of all travel trailers is the basic 12-footer. That figure includes the front frame and butane tank; the body measures 9½x6½ feet outside. With sleeping accommodations for four persons (including two on a double overhead bunk), the trailer provides gas cooking and lighting facilities, a 10-gallon water storage tank, a built-in icebox, and a removable dining table between the convertible seat-beds. Most cars can tow this size trailer without trouble; prices for 12-footers begin at about $900, with rentals available at about $35 a week.



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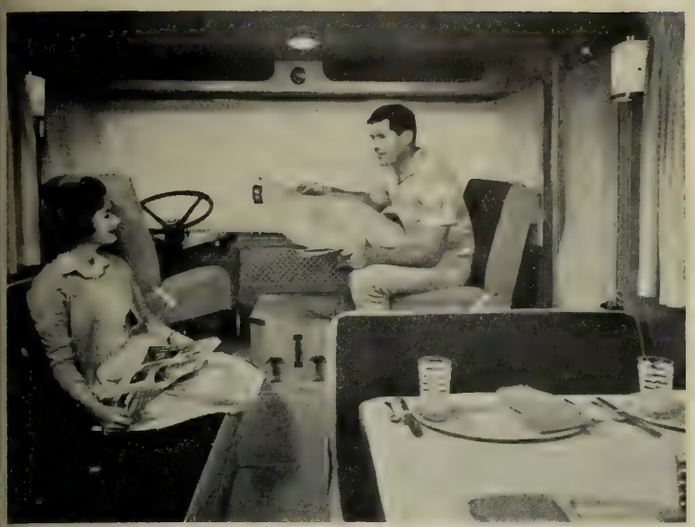
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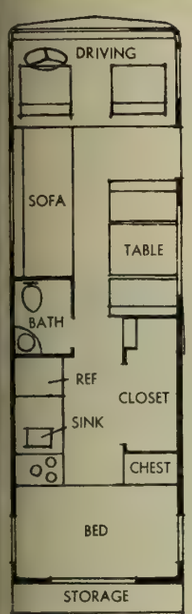
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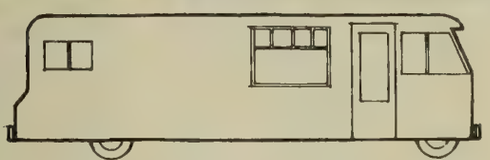


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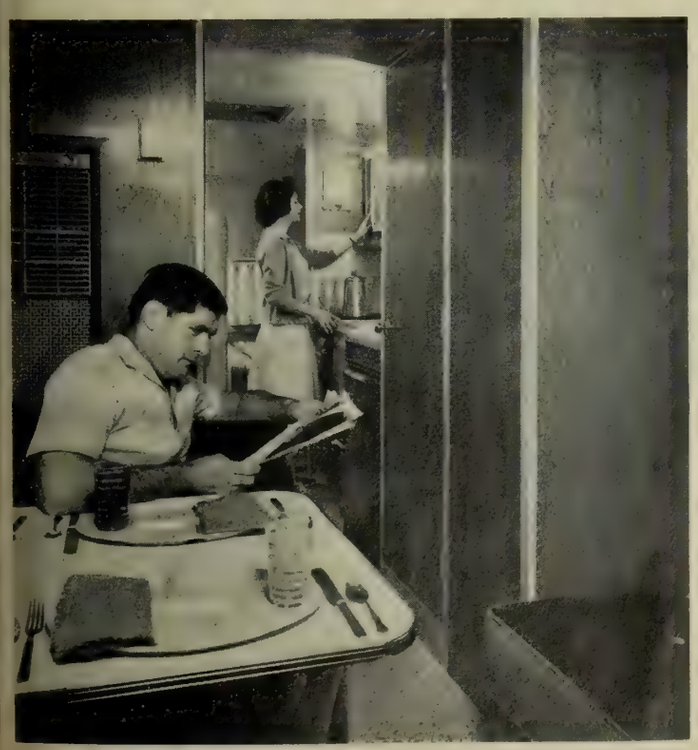






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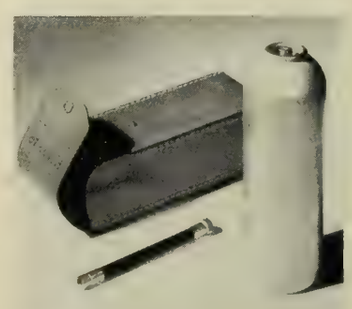
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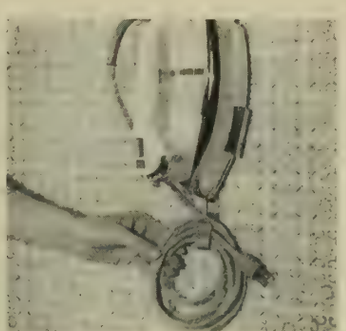
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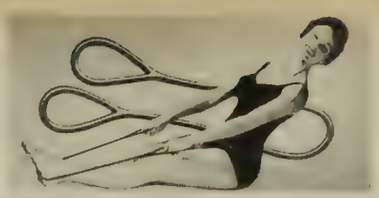
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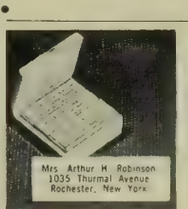
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The newest school in our town was built without windows, and I suppose the idea has some kind of architectural merit. Still, the boy in my class who spent the most time gazing dreamily out the window was the one who amounted to the most in life.

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Rosemary's pal, Linda, has her broken ankle encased in a plaster cast without a single signature or wisecrack scribbled on it. I understand that, as a novelty, it makes a fabulous conversation piece.

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Christine complains about the stray kittens Judy brings home, but she agrees with me that the situation isn't as worrisome as it would be to have a little girl whose heart didn't go out to stray kittens.

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I thought 10-year-old Judy was being a little overemotional when she kissed the battered fender of the family sedan the day we traded it in. But her mother pointed out that it was the only automobile she could remember.

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Burt, Jr., has the stubborn Hillis cowlick, and the way things have been going at the office lately, it's about all he's likely to inherit.

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Christine is very put out at her dearest widowed friend who picked out Husband Number Two before the canasta club could make the selection.

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Our teen-age daughter's current boy friend has the part of the butler in the high-school play. I guess this is what is meant by a cultural lag. High-school plays still have butlers in them although none of the actors has ever seen one.

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Lou Presnell, our children's favorite courtesy uncle, is a bachelor. He reports that they seem to average out—the days when he envies his married friends and the days when they say they envy him.

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The program committee of my luncheon club has not quite reached perfection. This year they have provided every kind of speaker except a brief one.

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Our city is growing up. I can remember when there were only three regular briefcase-carriers.

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Storage space is the perennial problem at our house. On the other hand, one of the young fellows at the office says he and his bride have lots of storage space, but nothing to store.

Whenever I feel the grass looks greener next door, I discover that the people over there are taking better care of it.

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We were watching an old movie on television the other night. It hadn't sounded familiar, and it was on for several minutes before I realized I had seen it before.

And I knew where and when. I remembered that forlorn little town, more dismal than ever in the rain—the two establishments with neon signs that said "Eats," the garage, a bank with "1908" proudly carved over the door, the decrepit courthouse with the statue in front commemorating the honored dead of some other war and the tin-roofed Gem movie theater.

It was my last pass before going overseas, and Chris had made the long trip to see me. We had barely enough money for her bus ticket back home, but we pooled our change and scraped up enough for the movie. And a box of popcorn.

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The surprising thing is that I still remember the picture; I can't recall looking at the screen. I glanced over at Chris.

"I think," she said, "we ought to have some popcorn."

"Gee, Mom," said Bud, "you just said no more snacks."

"How about your diet, Mom?" Rosemary laughed.

"I know," Chris said. "I haven't thought about popcorn in months. But somehow this picture just seems to call for popcorn."

"It should be raining outside," I said.

"Heck no, Dad," said Bud, "we go baseball practice tomorrow."

Chris and I grinned at each other.

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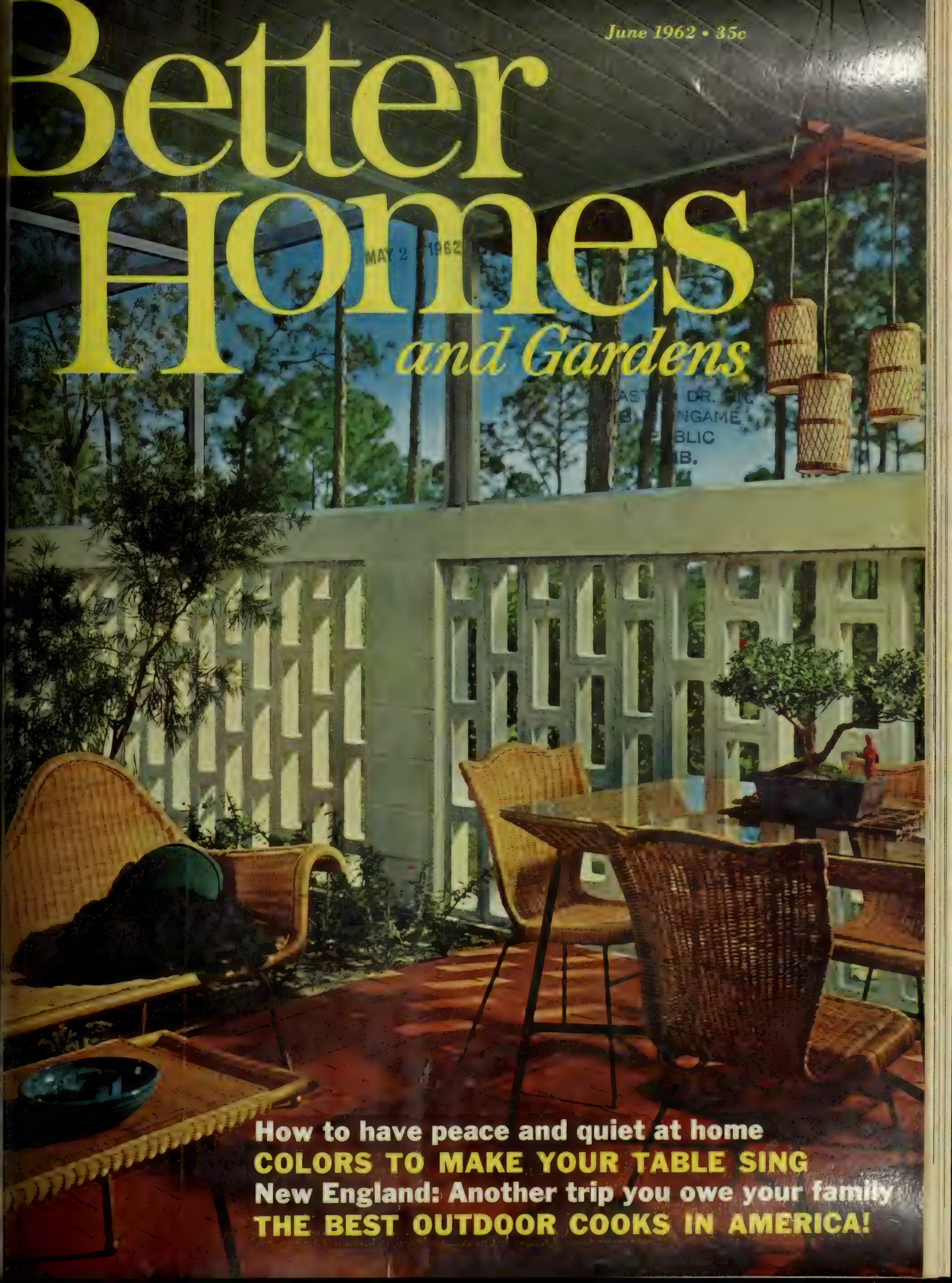
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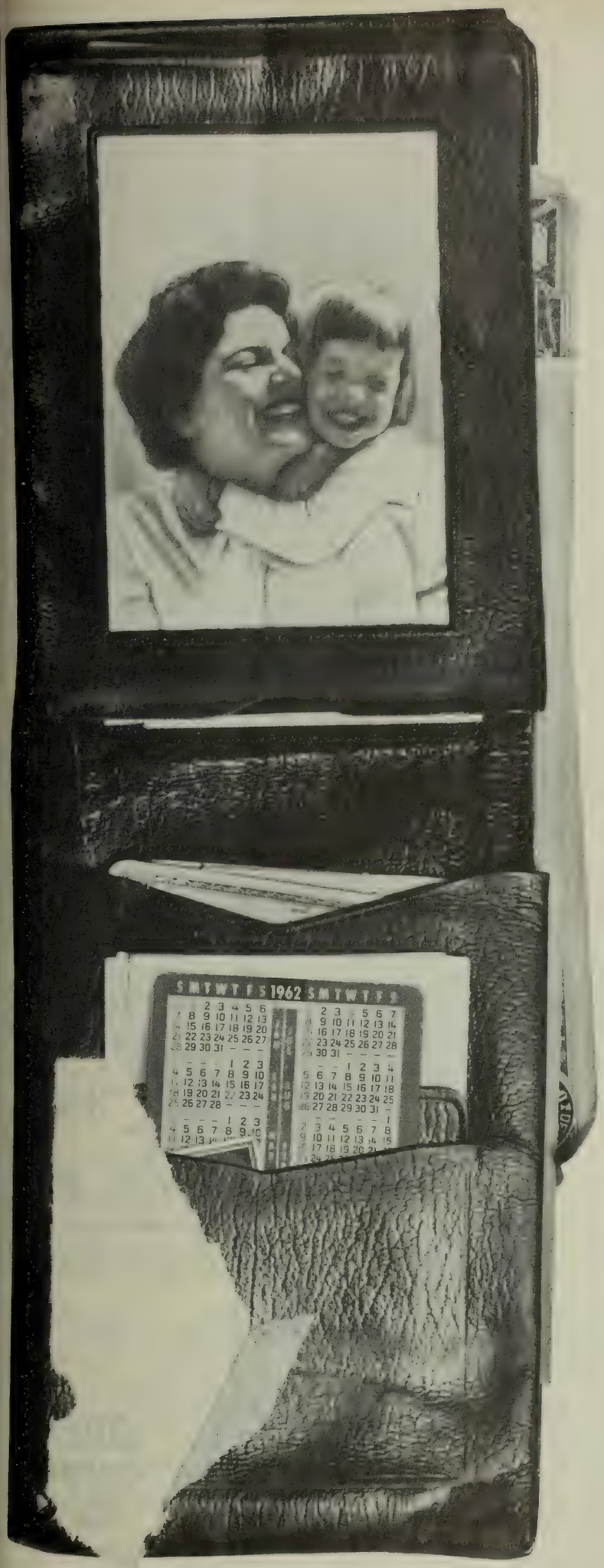
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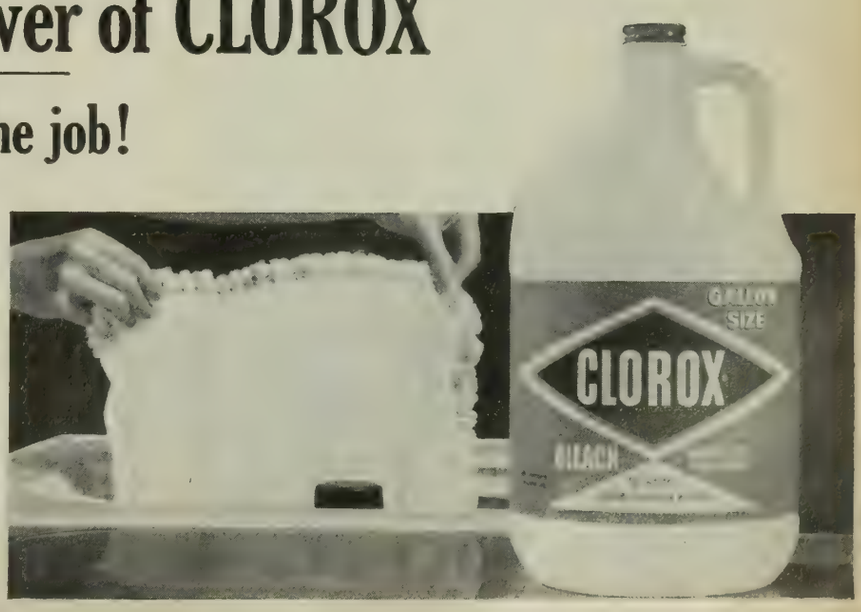
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If your son plays baseball...

By John Hess

YOU may feel a certain nostalgia about those dusty baseball afternoons of your youth—that one lone ball that continually got lost, tender memories of long, carefree days. But that kind of baseball isn't played much anymore. Youngsters currently are more organized, have better equipment—and more of them are playing than ever before. The nostalgia may be gone, but the quality of the product is far better.

Obviously there are disadvantages in organizing anything too much. But the advantages to be gained, we feel, make it no contest. So *Better Homes & Gardens* hereby salutes junior baseball everywhere!

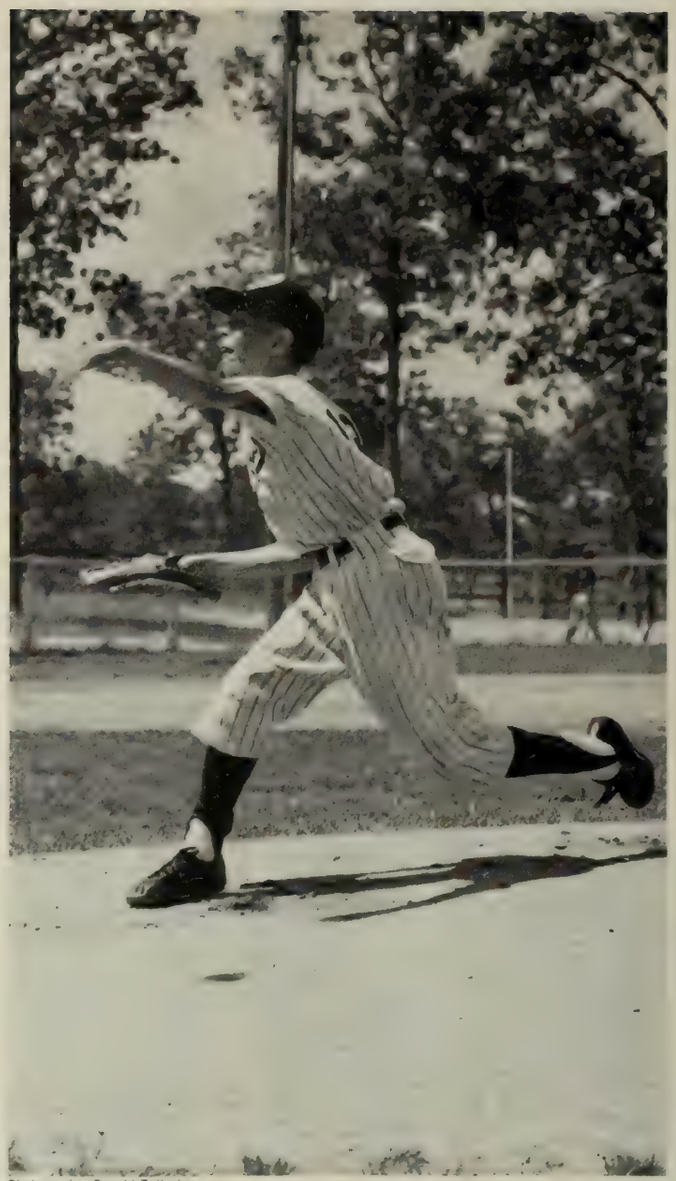
There are many aids you can give your young player, both at home and away, if you want to help him improve his performance. This strong desire of parents to help their youngsters get ahead is most evident in the growth of summer baseball camps. We visited recently with one of the most active in the country. This camp is the Mickey Owen Baseball School in Miller, Missouri, where sessions begin this year on May 28 and last until August 26.

Owen, the former big-time catching star, can accommodate from 120 to 150 boys at one time. Most of them stayed last summer for about three weeks, although Owen expects to move to a 2-week session most of the time this year.

Mickey has much to say to the boys who come to him. He feels that it is not necessarily wrong, for example, to throw curves, a common fear of most coaches of young players. "It is the cold, tired arm that causes the damage," he says. He recommends a 28-ounce bat, 30 inches long, for his young players.

But summer baseball camps are not available everywhere. Otto Vogel, veteran coach at the University of Iowa points out: "No matter how available a training camp is to your son, he can still practice the *fundamentals* that are the same everywhere." He has covered these points in his *Baseball Instructor's Guide*, written with Dick Siebert, head coach at the University of Minnesota. (Publisher: The Athletic Institute, 209 South State Street, Chicago 4, Illinois.)

Throwing: The three-quarter overhand throw gives the young pitcher, especially, maximum power and control (Upper right.) It should also be used without exception by outfielders and infielders. Bobbie Richardson makes the double play underhanded and from a prone position, but this takes practice, skill, and strength. Because baseball is so essentially a throwing game, no other skill can be more important to a winning team. Unless every man can throw accurately and with speed enough to beat a runner, his team will be definitely weakened defensively. [*Continued on page 11*



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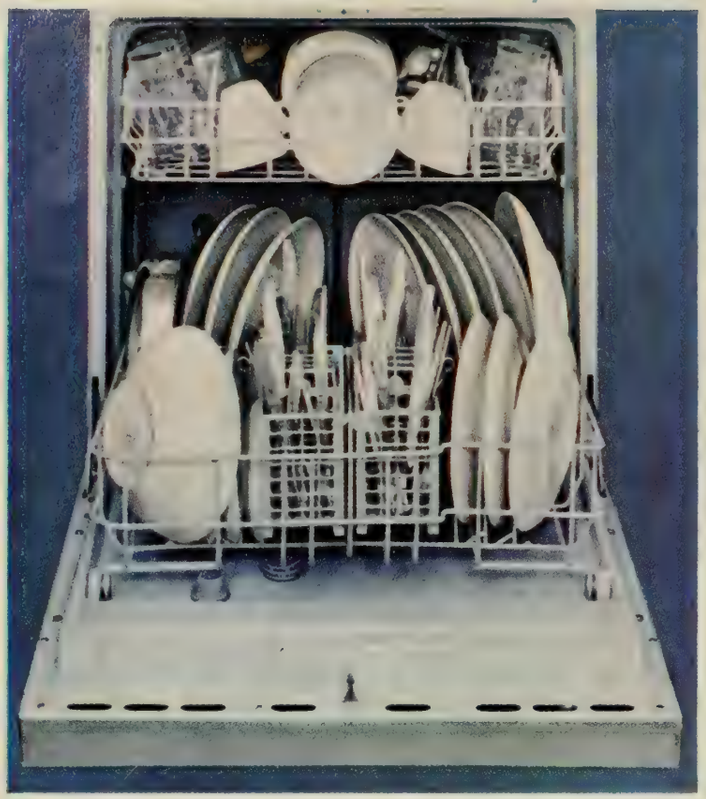




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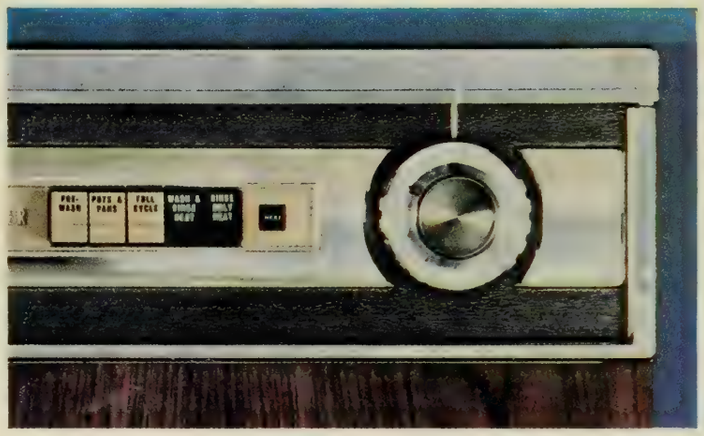
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Running: Your boy can use sliding and running as powerful offensive skills. During the run to first base, after the hit is made, the runner should glance quickly over his shoulder to see the possibility of advancing to second. He should then swing out to the right, cut the inside corner of first base, continuing in an easy curve toward second. There are three basic slides: the straight-in (above), the bent leg, and the hook. These should be practiced carefully at all times under close direction.

Fielding: The good fielder keeps low, close to the ground, poised and ready, eyes on the ball. The alert defensive man thinks at least one or two plays ahead of his opponent.

The basic fielding position should be as comfortable as possible. On a ground ball to either side, the fielder should turn in the direction of the ball and get in front of it as soon as he can. After he has done this, he should check his momentum quickly, making the throw off the right foot and stepping with his left in the direction of the throw.

In the general fielding position, your youngster's weight should be on the balls of his feet, knees turned outward, body bent forward. This will enable him to move to either side as necessary.



One of the most basic and important points to remember in fielding is the proper position of the hands. This is especially true with the young player. Most ground balls will be fielded below the belt, fingers pointing *downward*, palms facing the ball, little fingers close together. On a fly ball (or a ground ball taking a high hop), fingers should point *upward*, thumbs close together.

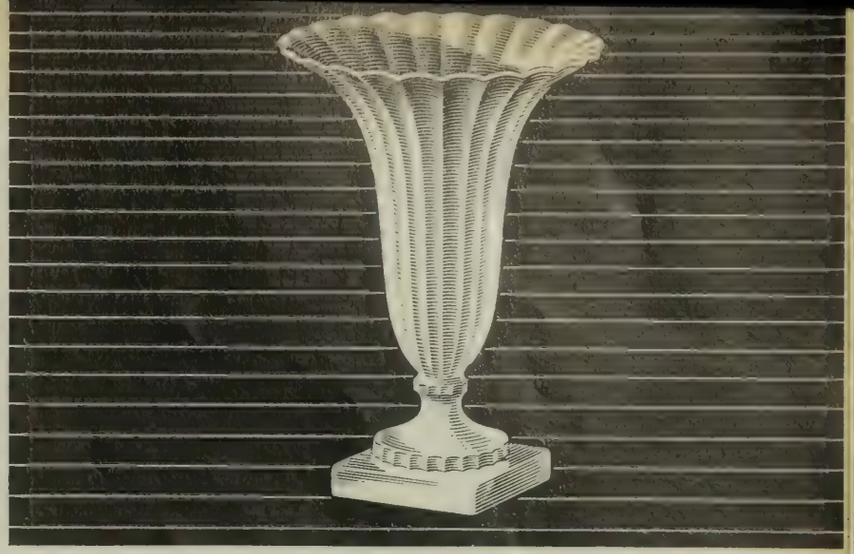
Hitting: This is the offensive weapon that your boy can best master to make him most valuable to his team. We've already talked about the proper size bat for a beginner to use. It should give him control—heavy enough for a good, solid swing, but not so heavy that it swings him instead of his swinging it.



For the most powerful, effective swing, your youngster's arms should be comfortably away from his body and bent at the elbows. The forward arm guides the swing, so the forearm should be kept parallel with the ground. The back arm puts power into the swing. Let it drop a little . . . but not too much or the swing will be unlevel.

As your youngster swings the bat, his wrists and hands will snap over. Simultaneously with this wrist snap, his back hip goes into the ball and his forward hip is thrown out of the way. Now the ball has been hit, but he is still swinging. Don't let him stop until he is completely through. The swing itself is a controlled, powerful movement of all muscles to swing the bat through a flat arc: a coiling and uncoiling of the body and arms, building up power to be released all together at the exact instant the bat hits the ball.

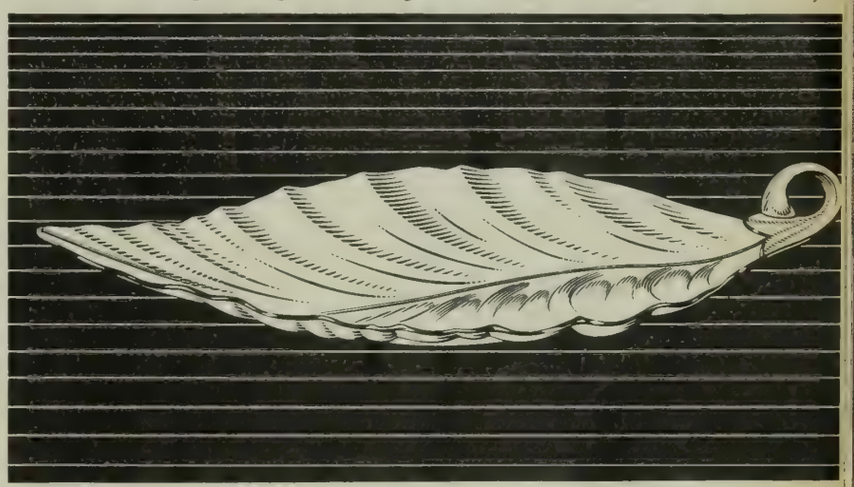
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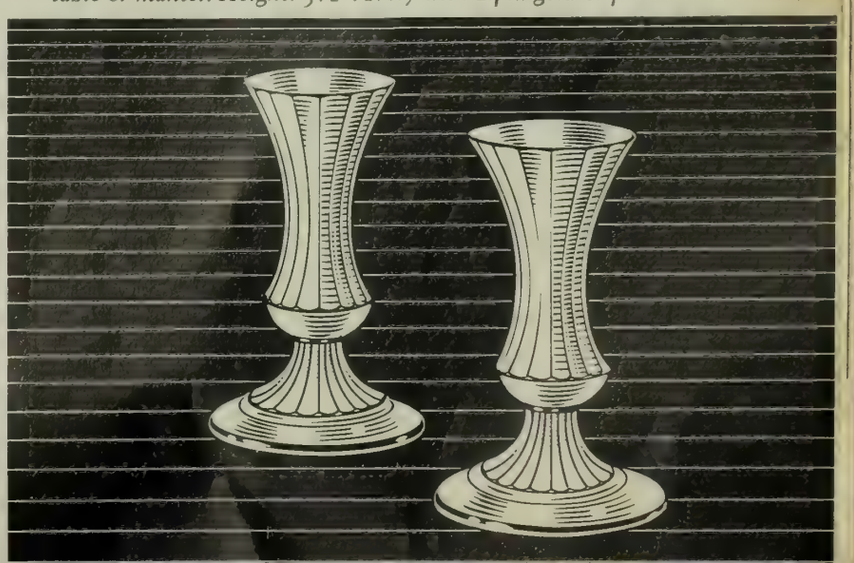


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If your son plays baseball

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As a beginning player, your boy should grip the bat at least an inch-and-a-half or two from the knob. You've seen Roger Maris, for example, gripping his bat at the very end for maximum power. This can come in good time. Now, your youngster should be taking a modified approach to this, moving his grip up the handle of the bat and shooting for the base hit rather than the home run.

Don't forget that the hips, shoulders, arms, and back must all be involved in that important pivotal movement of the swing. Weight should be on the back foot, body and arms coiled and ready. Above all, it is the freewheeling, easy swing that makes the fine hitter.

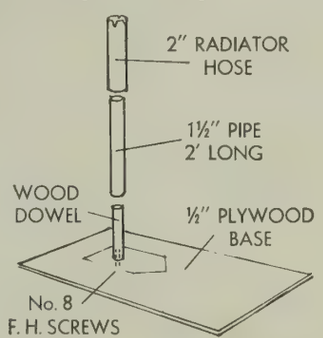
Organized junior baseball is one of the hottest movements in America today. Of the various leagues operating around the country, probably the best known is Little League Baseball, Inc. This includes one million boys in 24 countries.

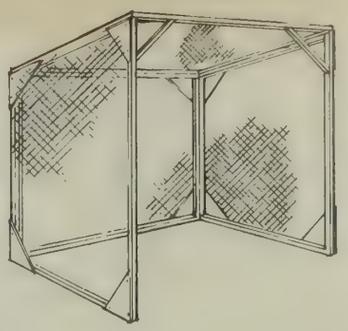
According to some baseball experts, there will be as many as three million Little Leaguers in the 9- to 12-year-old group alone playing ball by 1966. You can take advantage of this exciting future by working with your youngster often, and by constructing these simple practice helps in the back yard.

Build these training aids for your boy

Batting tee develops a level swing, encourages concentration on form. Paint a home plate on the plywood base. Round off a piece of 2x2 and screw it to the plywood as shown.

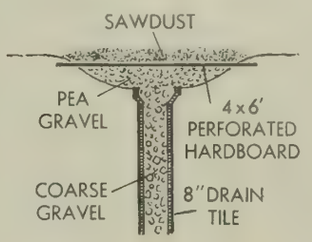
Slide the pipe over this, then slip on the radiator hose. Adjust the hose up and down on the pipe for the individual batter.

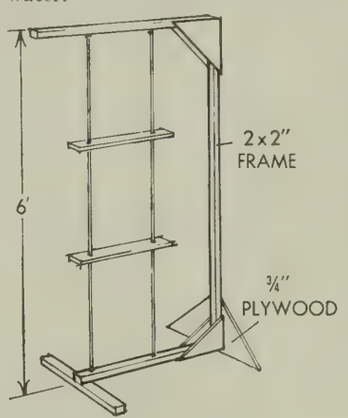




Batting cage saves chasing balls, protects bystanders and windows. Build the frame from 2x2s with plywood reinforcements at the corners. Cover with chicken wire. Dimensions are 6 feet deep, 6 by 6 feet in back, 8 by 8 feet in front. Bolt sections together so cage comes apart for storage.

Sliding pit helps to develop those three important slides. If the pit is located on well-drained ground, simply fill a slight depression with sawdust or tanbark. Otherwise, dig the more elaborate pit shown here, to get rid of rain water.





Pitcher's target helps to sharpen that most important quality of control. In the bargain, this device should also improve catchers. Build the basic framework as shown in the drawing. Use ⅜-inch rope between top and bottom members. Drill target crosspieces for the ropes; cut kerfs lengthwise in the ends. Bolts and wing nuts in the ends beyond ropes allow adjustment.



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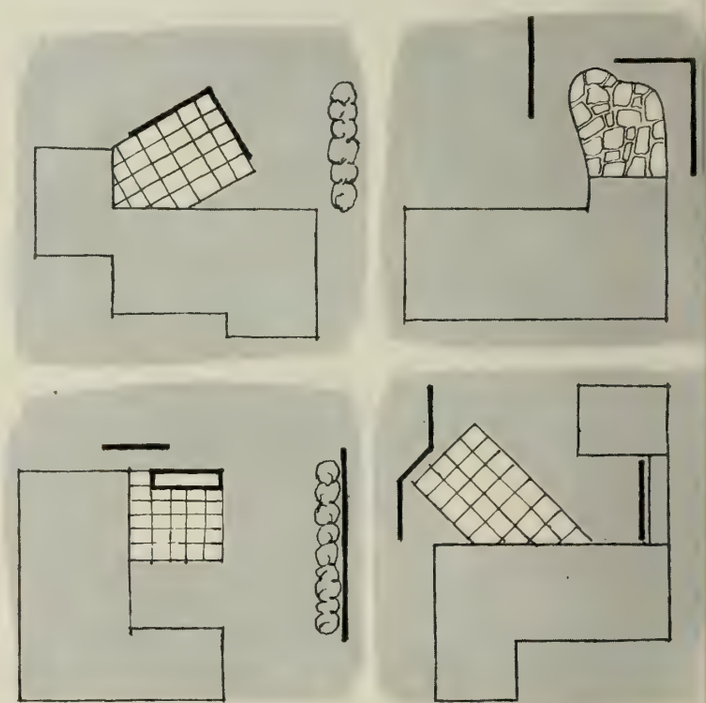
Privacy outdoors–here's how to get it

Less expensive than you think, privacy screens added to any outdoor area will let you get more use from it than ever before. Planning is the most important ingredient—a couple of hours with pad and pencil this evening can save you both money and time.

Where to build it—Start by sketching a plan of your house, patio, and back yard; include neighboring houses and, if you're on a corner lot, the street. Neatness doesn't count, but use your best judgment to keep everything in approximate scale. Then draw heavy lines where you'd most like to stop an outsider's line of vision and those places where you'd like to screen out an unpleasant view.

Use a little of your personality here—don't just box in your patio or your boundary lines. Long straight sections of fence are often weak and unattractive.

The four drawings here show how four different problems were solved—and they show you how easy it is to plan yours on paper before you start to work. The top left house had an angled patio—a natural for the two short sections of screens. And, although it's completely private, there's no



hint of being boxed in. The top right drawing shows an unusual solution. The right-angled screens stop the view from the outside. The other screen hides an unpleasant scene. The L-shaped house in the lower left drawing is a good example of seclusion without cramping. The owners got double duty out of a new storage unit on the patio itself. In the lower right drawing, the house was connected to a side-street garage by a short walkway. The garage, the screen parallel to the walk, and the angled screen make the patio completely hidden from both sides. Both the house and the patio can still enjoy the view to the rear.

With the paper work completed, move outside to make actual measurements and establish exact locations; do this before you plan construction details.

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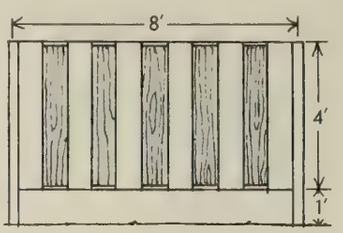
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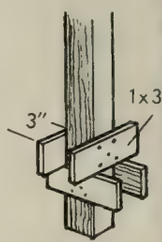
Privacy outdoors *Continued*

This drawing shows the basic, most practical size for any privacy screen; you should start your planning in terms of these measurements, then alter them to fit your special needs. The four-foot dimension works out most economically for nearly all the materials on the market. And the eight-foot length saves cutting. You can make a section shorter in length wherever it will work out best for you—sections longer than eight feet, however, often tend to become weak.



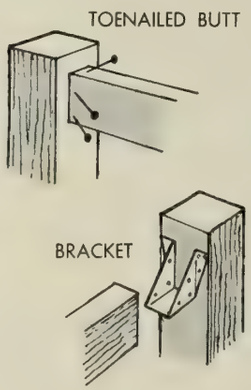
How it will look. Here's where you'll want to take your time in making a choice of materials. Elsewhere in this month's issue, you'll see all kinds of ideas—look them over carefully and imagine how they'll look in your own situation. With sizes and location already planned, you're ready to start shopping for the materials that will look best—and let you build easiest—on your budget.

How to go about building. When you get out of the living room and into the yard, your first problem will be holes for the posts. The rental charge for an electric post-hole digger is a good investment. Set the posts as accurately as possible; for sections that line up with each other, stretch a line to make sure you don't get a crook in your work.



If you've planned a continuous length, set the posts first, add the rails, then fill in the other members. Building on a slope will be easier if you start with extra long posts, set them first, and then trim the tops to the exact height. If you've planned your screens so they're all in individual sections, consider building them first, then simply erecting an entire section at a time.

The method you choose to set your posts depends on the amount of strength you want. No matter which method you use, plan to set all the posts at a depth equal to about 40% of the above-ground measurement. To set them without any extra anchorage, drill the holes only two inches bigger in diameter than the posts. A concrete collar system will give the posts additional support. Or, use the cleat system shown in the small drawing above.



Two of the easiest ways to attach the rails to the posts are shown here. These go the fastest and require only a hammer and nails. Other methods include either cutting a dado in the post and setting the 2x4 rail on its side, or mortising the post to receive the rail. For supporting heavier-than-average screening materials, either of these ways will give you more strength than the two shown.

Be sure to discuss your wood requirements with your building-materials dealer before you buy. Choose either redwood or pressure-treated wood for the posts. For the other parts, he can advise you on the right grade of wood to use and whether you should buy lumber pretreated or brush on the preservative yourself.



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If a steep slope is your problem, a wood deck is the solution

Take advantage of a steep-sloping lot by building a wood deck adjacent to indoor living areas. A place to relax in the sun by day and to enjoy cool evening breezes is offered by a deck built over a hillside. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Contrael of Crestwood, Missouri, designed this deck to fill the L-shaped area between their living room and bedroom. Space is almost doubled in the summer when the deck is put into use.

The Contraels' collection of tropical and hardy specimen plants in containers, including oleander, azalea, hibiscus, yew, larch, and gardenia, are summered outside to create a garden atmosphere and to provide contrast for the all-wood construction. Colorful accessories and fabrics make pleasing accents that complement the beautiful plants.

A chaise provides a comfortable place to relax, and low stools and built-in benches add more seating space for guests. Lights concealed under the eaves of the house add to nighttime use of the area. The soft glow dramatizes the plants and fence when viewed from the house.

A deck must be planned and built as carefully as a house, to get the maximum number of maintenance-free years of use from it. This one is held firmly in place by concrete-set 6x6-inch posts, to which the 2x6-inch floor joists are nailed. 1x6-inch floor boards are spaced ¼ inch apart to allow circulation of air and for rapid drying after a rain.

The privacy screen is especially decorative and gives just the amount of seclusion needed. It is made of 2x2-inch redwood strips which are spaced by random inserts of scrap ends, forming an intricate design. The openness of the fence reduces the possibilities of damage from strong winds and allows a flow of cooling summer breezes. The fence is stained, but the floor boards are left natural for contrast.

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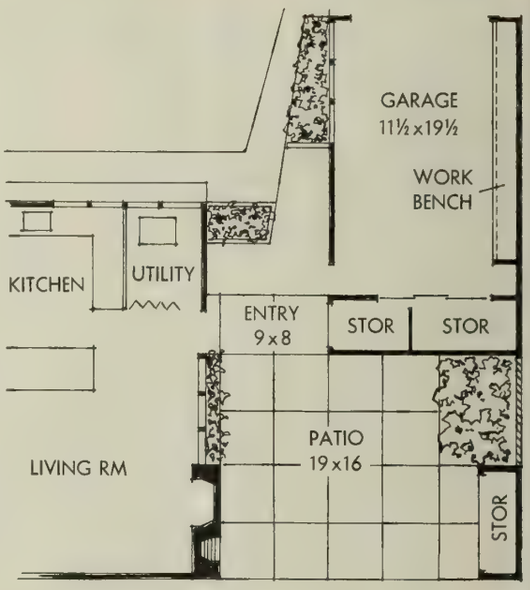


Simple construction with good design made this outdoor addition a handsome part of the house. The new patio is both convenient and secluded—and well-planned storage keeps all the outdoor toys out of sight.

Even before their brand-new home was completed, the owners started planning for outdoor living. They asked their builder to add the barbecue in the fireplace and to delay building the carport that "came with" their home, until they could decide exactly what they wanted. Then they had the driveway and carport located so they could add the patio and storage units themselves.

When the carport was finished, they enclosed it to make a garage. The garage wall and roof members were extended to partially enclose the patio. Now, the house looks bigger and better—and it is!

The patio itself is open only to the back. Slats across some of the openings in the overhead grill filter most of the hot sun—yet let enough light through to keep the living room (behind the tall windows) bright and cheerful. Redwood strips divide the concrete floor into 4-foot squares. Louvers between storage units helps capture breezes.



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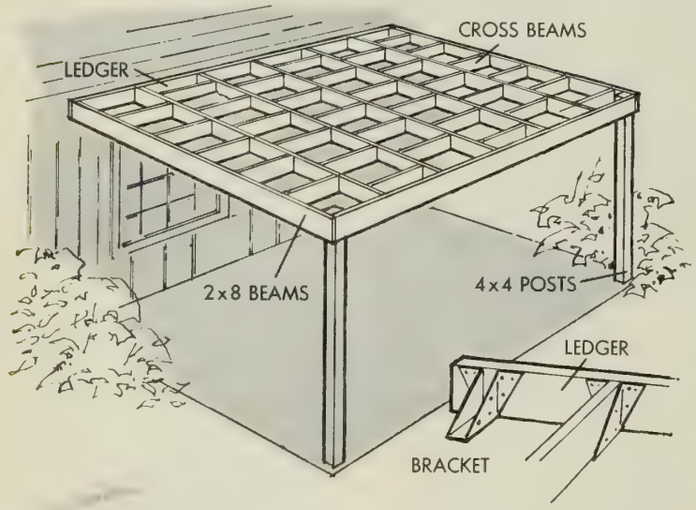
This is the summer to build yourself the shade and the privacy that will stretch your enjoyment of the outdoors.

First, the support system. If you have a concrete slab, it's probably strong enough for you to set the upright posts directly on it. If your patio has a soft surface, dig below the frost line and pour footings.

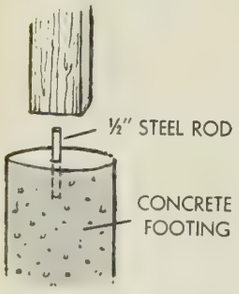
Here's how with wood. The drawing shows you the basics, no matter what size or style you want your structure. Beams are all 2x8s; upright posts are 4x4s. Start by driving lag screws through the ledger, siding, and into wall studs.

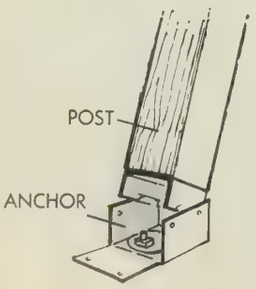
Then set the posts. The small drawings (below) show two ways to anchor the bottoms. The steel rod system requires very accurate measuring and drilling. The metal anchors have a built-in adjustment system so you can make the posts exactly plumb after you set them.

Next, add the two end beams perpendicular to your house, and then the beam that connects the two posts. As you add the rest of the full-length beams, space them equal-



ly. You can simply nail the beams in place or use the timber connectors shown in the drawing. If you plan a solid roof, use heavy joist hangers instead. The final step is the cross beams. Stagger them, as shown, to avoid toenailing.



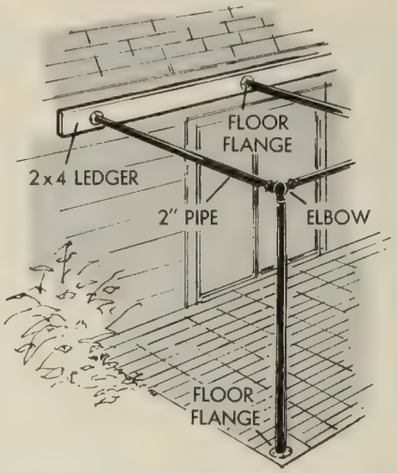


A word about slopes. Match the pitch of the new roof to the rest of your house, continue the roof line, or make the new roof flat with just enough pitch (one inch every four feet) to drain water.

The cost. Prices of wood vary according to your locality, but here's how you get an estimate.

The structure shown is 12 feet square, with 2x8 beams spaced on 24-inch centers both ways. To build it, you need 208 feet of 2x8s, plus two 4x4 posts.

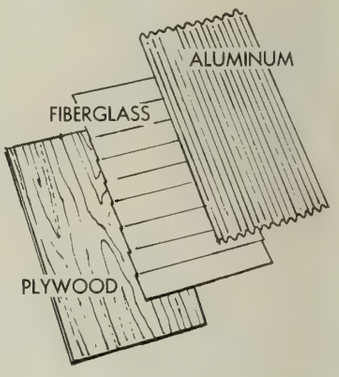
Call your building materials dealer and ask for the prices for this much material in both Douglas fir and redwood. Add about $4 or $5 for hardware. Adjust the estimate to your patio by comparing the square footage of your planned floor space to the 144 square feet used here.



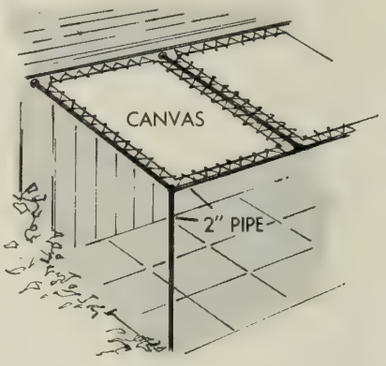
Build it with pipe. Use aluminum or steel pipe for a quick, light-duty support system. Threadless fittings average about $1.50 each for 1½- or 2-inch pipe.

Roofing with sheet materials. Any of three solid materials (below) will give you long-time service and will keep off both rain and sun. Before you build the supporting structure, select the aluminum or fiberglass you intend to use. This way, you'll be able to plan the lap joints so, with no cutting, they fall on the beams.

The aluminum is corrugated and embossed for a pleasant texture. Some manufacturers offer it in a variety of colors. It costs from about 20 to 28 cents per square foot.



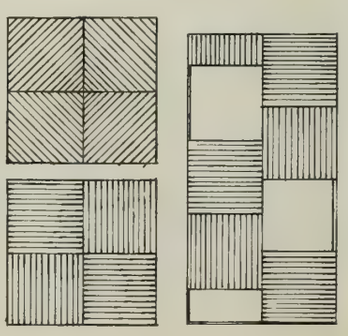
Fiberglass will work well and will not darken windows that face your terrace. Choose your colors carefully so that you get one that lets the right amount of light through, yet stops as much heat as possible. Costs for this material start at about 50 cents per square foot, but vary substantially according to weight, type, and texture of the fiberglass.



Plywood is easily handled and can be painted whatever color you like—do this before you nail it in place and you'll save a lot of effort. Specify exterior grade; ½-inch costs 23 cents or so per square foot, ¾-inch, 30 cents.

Canvas is quick, economical. You can get large sheets of canvas in a wide range of colors—and qualities—at a tent and awning shop. Your dealer will hem it and install the grommets. All you do is lash it to a frame.

There are budget-stretchers to give you the exact effect you want. The drawing at right shows 1x2s, nailed to top of the beams. You can work out similar patterns with snow fencing, woven reed or match-stick bamboo, grapestakes, lattice molding, or laths.





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A sliding glass wall, which replaced the garage doors, opens the room to the relaxing surroundings of a beautiful yard. The retreat is also used as a guest house; its separation from the main house insures privacy.

Inside, the decor features simplicity and light colors. The walls and floor are putty colored. Coral, lime, and bright blue throw pillows accent the off-white beige linen sofa; draperies are orange and white. Two matching side chairs and a lounge chair are upholstered in hard-wearing off-white plastic. The area rug is reversible. Lamp bases of dull brass lend a warm accent to the room.

Built-in wall storage units at each end are as wide as the room. One is used to store books and papers; the other houses an air conditioner, bar, and a hi-fi speaker for music piped from the house. One wall is hung with a collection of family photographs; on the opposite walls, framed military maps add Mr. Rouse's personal touch.

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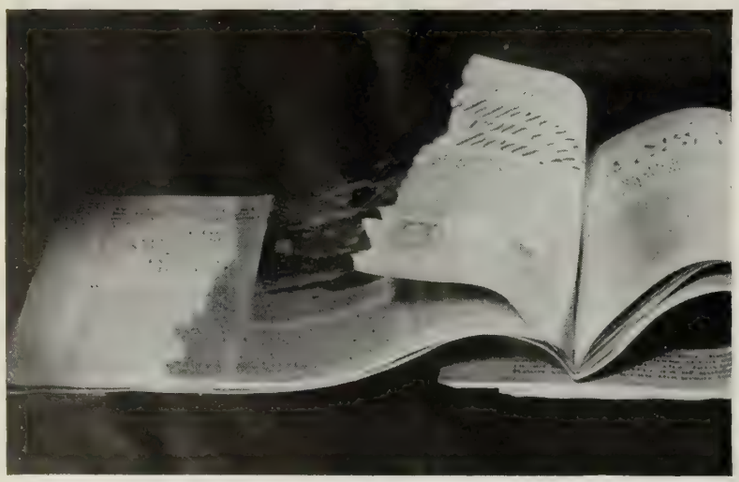
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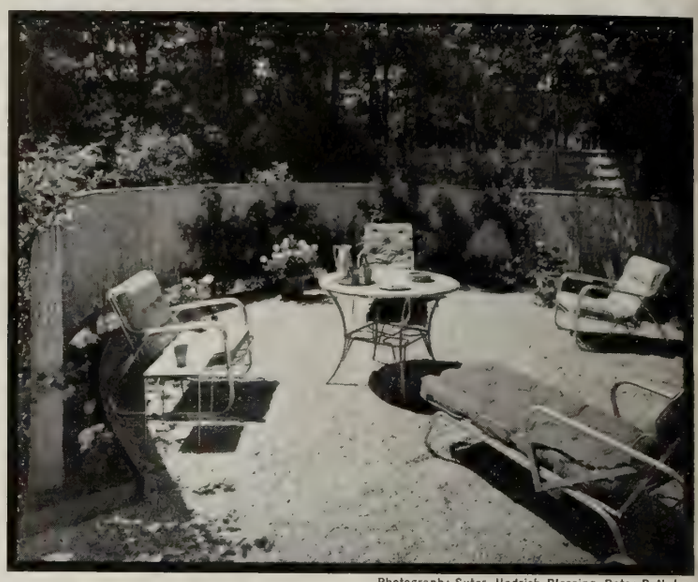
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This oasis for outdoor living is like a built-in health resort at home, and just as relaxing—perhaps more so, because you have complete control over your privacy. Day or night, the area can be enjoyed.

To achieve this attractive and relatively inexpensive haven for Mr. and Mrs. Philip E. Ringer, Highland Park, Illinois, Landscape Architect Stephanie Kramer used woven-reed screen to outline the half-circle area outside the glass doors of the master bedroom.

To get a smooth curve, 4x4-inch posts were set at intervals of 6 feet. Near the top and bottom, grooved joints, or dadoes, were cut in the front of the posts, deep enough to hold the 1x2-inch wood strips flush with the posts. The strips were bent in a gentle curve and nailed securely. The woven reed was wrapped around the first post and stapled to the framework of the fence. Half-round molding strips add strength and a finished look. A 6-inch space was left at the bottom to allow for air circulation. Other screening materials which would create the same effect are bamboo, grapestake, wisteria-stem matting, and flexible split cedar.

A metal edging sunk in the ground 14 inches from the base of the screen accentuates the curve and defines the planting area—at the same time confining the washed gravel used for the patio floor. To have the most stable surface, use fine washed gravel and avoid spreading it too deep—not much more than one inch. This surface is easy to keep neat by raking lightly from time to time. The flower border is narrow and easy to maintain—an occasional watering and a little weeding are all that is necessary.

Climbing roses add pattern and color to the sunny side of the screen, while clematis vines planted on the opposite side spill their blooms over the top. The vines can easily be held to the screen with plant ties slipped between the reeds. Petunias planted just inside the curve of the screen give an added splash of color from early summer until fall. Tubbed geraniums afford a color accent that can be moved from one spot to another.

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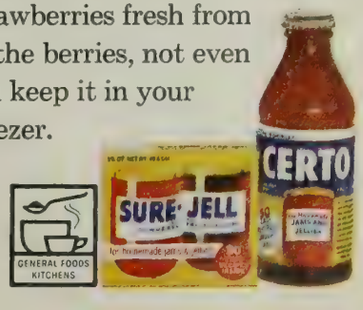
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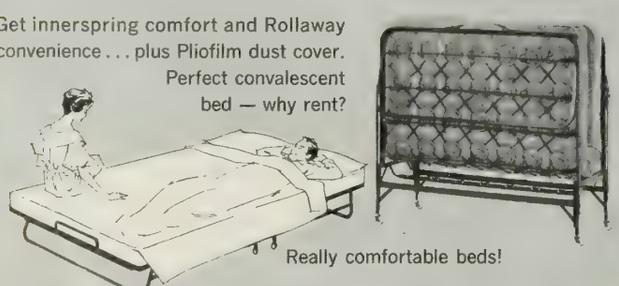
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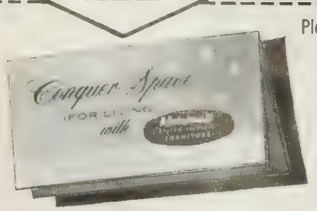
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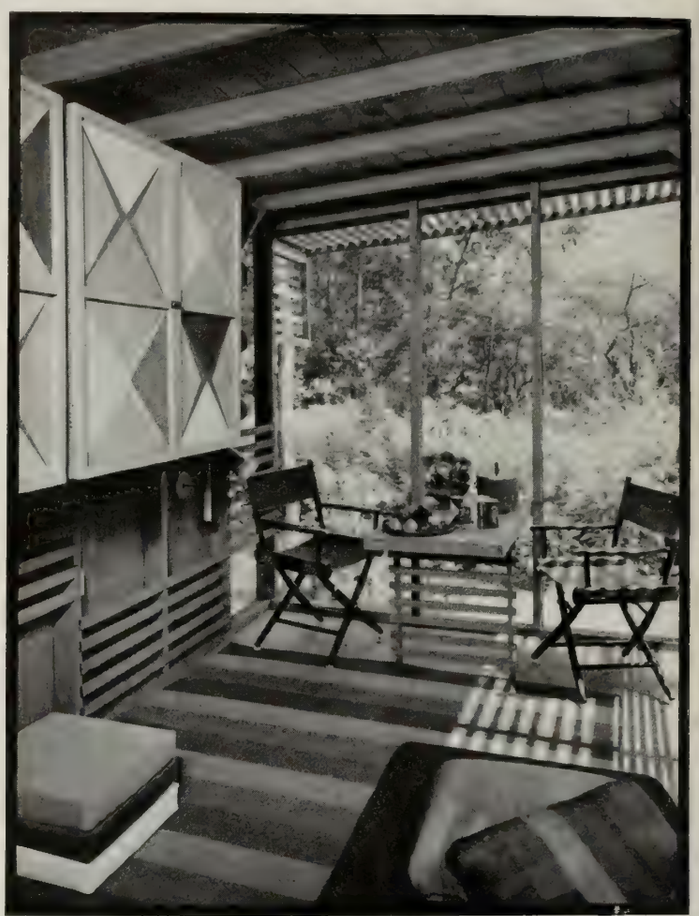
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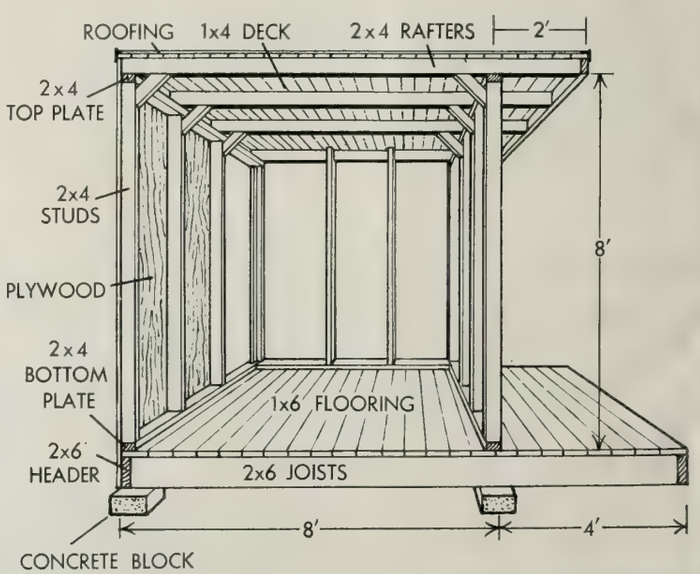
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Buildable and bugproof

Here's how to build the screen house shown in color on page 48. As Owner-designer Jack Denst, Chicago, Illinois built it, the house measures 8x20 feet; he planned it on a 2-foot module, so the length is easily changed.

Start with a foundation of six precast concrete posts sunk below the frostline. Then build the framing with 2x4s and 2x6s. Use floor joists every two feet and nail 2x6 blocking between them under the front wall.

Fasten insect screening on the three open walls with rough laths. Extra laths on a frame at the sides of the house will create shade. Storage cabinets are plywood.





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Plan a room without a roof for fair-weather pleasure

In this outdoor "room," the only thing between you and the sun and sky is the open latticework and vines above. The U-shaped house around this court was designed by Burdette Keeland, Jr., who planned the four louvered doors on the left to close the front of the "U".

You can borrow the idea to adapt it to your own home or plan it into the one you'll build. Three spotlights highlight the court by night. Pebble-finished concrete in a redwood grid makes a pleasant floor surface. Sliding glass doors on two sides help make it seem a part of the home's interior.

If you're planning a remodeling of any kind—and you crave a spot for peace and quiet outside—consider this kind of outdoor living for the corner of an "L" or a breezeway space. The louvered doors are an easy way to get privacy, yet allow you to open the area for a party.

An important ingredient is the amount of glass you plan. In general, the more glass areas that look out to it, the more enjoyment you'll get from this kind of "room." You can choose large operable windows, fixed glass panels, or an arrangement of sliding glass doors.

Don't forget to plan convenient doors from all inside rooms to an area like this. Important, too, is good access from it to the yard outside. Good lighting and plenty of well-placed electrical outlets will pay off handsomely in many extra usable nighttime hours.



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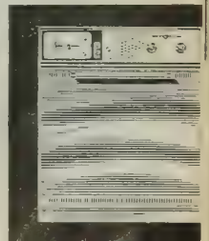
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An interior courtyard—the last word in complete privacy

A house around the courtyard sounds romantically Roman, but here's one that is completely practical for today.

Architect Kenneth W. Brooks designed this interesting home for his own family. And they all heartily concur on the success and pleasure of the central court—it is almost an outdoor family room. Just as important, it makes the rest of the 46x50-foot house better to live in too.

On a flat, uninteresting lot, the Brooks created their own private view that can be enjoyed from every room of the house. At night, it is especially glamorous. No need to draw draperies here—it's completely private.

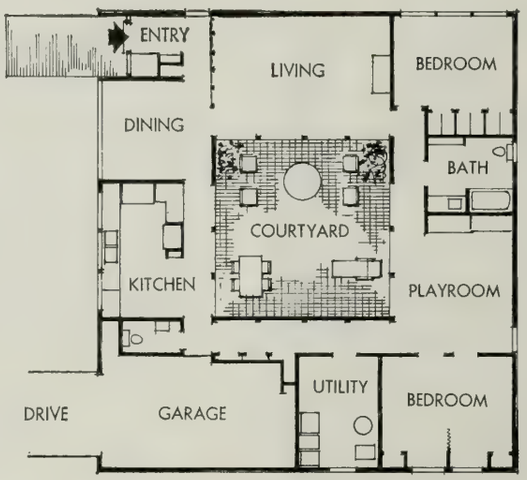
In the winter, the courtyard catches all of the sun's rays and shuts out the wind for a wonderful play yard. It's a great place for toddlers, too—they're safely fenced in, yet they have plenty of space.

Zoning is easy in this house; even the court forms an additional noise-stopping buffer. The trafficway all around the court is an actual hall in some places; in others, it is defined only by furniture placement.

The photograph, taken from the playroom, shows the pleasant and useful relationship of the inner sides of the house. From the kitchen (left) or living room (right), it's easy to keep tabs on the children at play, whether they're in the court or in the playroom.

The bricked courtyard serves every room, and the repetition of the brick pattern—in the living room, dining room, and entry—makes indoors and outdoors flow together naturally.

Here, in their private court, the Brooks family can cook, eat, or completely relax in outdoor comfort. Inconspicuous floor drains, carefully placed in the corners and hidden by potted plants, let water run off.



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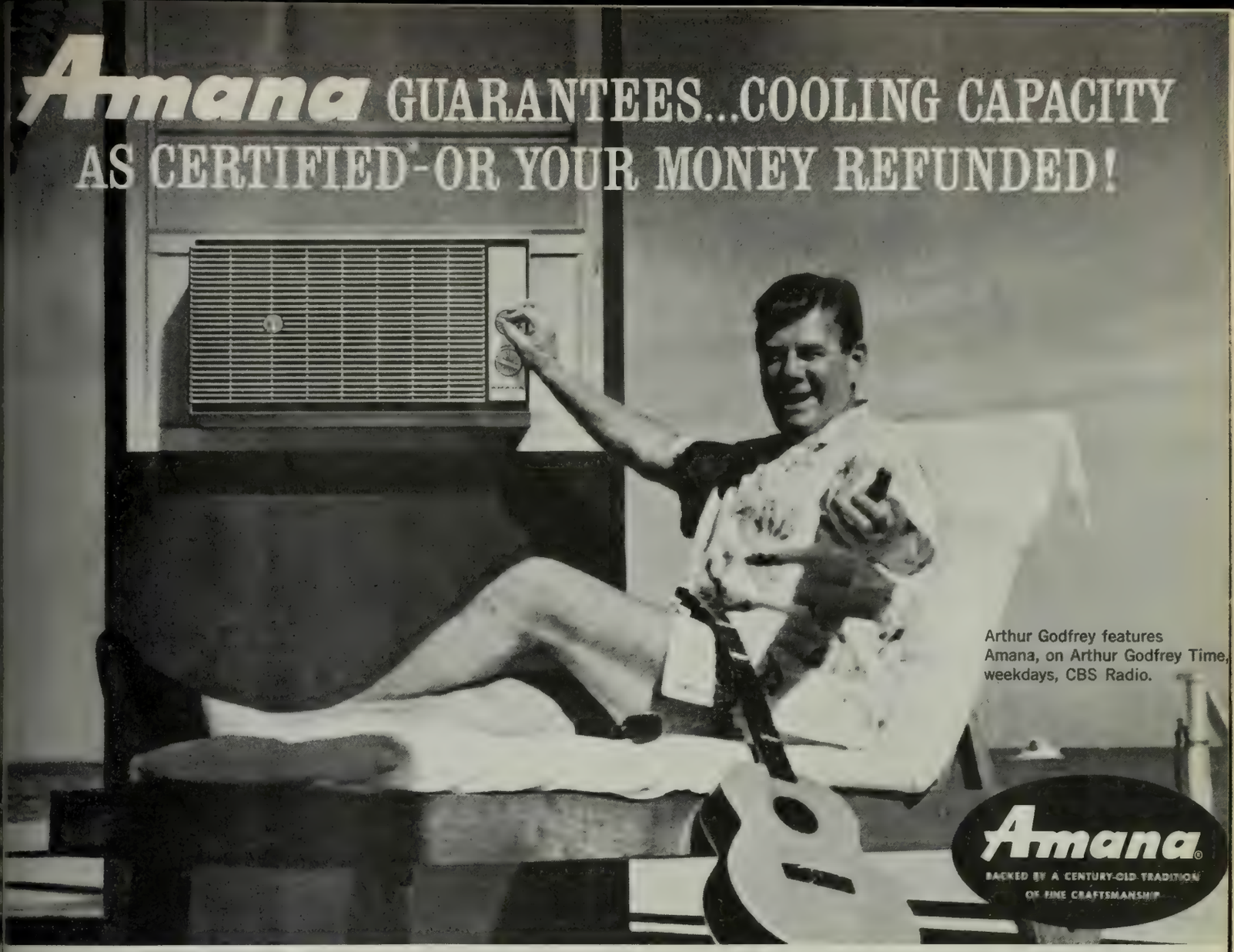


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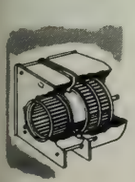
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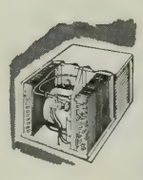
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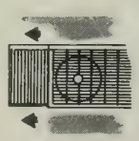
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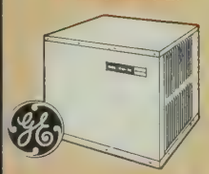


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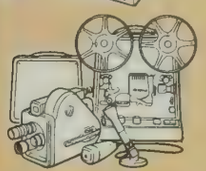
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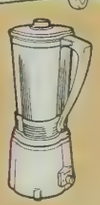
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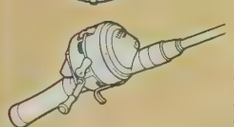
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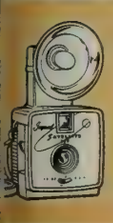


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A summer's day can ring with the sound of peace and quiet—a pleasant conversation, a good book, an afternoon nap, set to the soft background of birds singing, children at play, the faraway hum of a lawn mower. These are the sounds of inner tranquillity, a better way of life for you and everyone around you.

The first step is privacy—a wall, or suggestion of one, touches of greenery or flowers, a few spots of color that harmonize with themselves and your particular temperament.

The barbecue area at left would be any man's paradise. Here, he can relax and forget the worries of the working day. What he puts on the grill may be for his family or for guests, but most important is the quiet he regains within himself, turning the steak or chicken while troubles go up in smoke. He gets help, of course, from the white brick wall and rustic beams—so reminiscent of a sleepy Mexican village.

The patio on the right is comfortable enough for a host of friends. And it's located so that you can be alone with yourself or the family. This is privacy with space; distant plants fence out the world. Fiberglass screening, airy rattan furniture, and a colorful rug provide carefree comfort.

Turn slowly through the next 14 pages. Be lazy about it—and listen. You'll hear nothing but the wonderful sounds of peace and quiet.



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peace and quiet at home

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Left—there's complete relaxation for the Allyn Harper family behind their Saint Louis, Missouri, subdivision house. When they moved in, it had only a bare concrete slab—in full view of their neighbors. They did all the new work themselves. Their careful use of materials and plants that need minimum upkeep pays off in leisure time.

Right—wood slats at the ends of this screened area cut the view from outside, then continue all across the top to break the sun's glare without shutting it out completely. Rear side has screening without the slats, so the view to the back yard is unbroken. Awning provides full shade for the counter—makes eating here pleasant any time.

Photograph: de Gennaro Landscape Architect: Richard P. Gawne Data: Pauline Graves



Right center—a sunny deck may be your answer for many pleasant hours of outdoor living. It's the perfect solution to a wasted, unusable slope. And any handyman can construct one. This well-planned example combines colors of paint and plants to invite you out into the fresh air. Potted plants are placed to complement the permanent plantings.

Left—any house is bigger and better when the outdoors is made part of it with a screened-in area. This one is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Steinmetz, Sarasota, Florida. The part nearest the house is roofed for shade and shelter; the part at the rear is open to sun and sky. Privacy fence (rear) is outside the screened area itself.

Photograph: de Gennaro. Landscape Architect: Warren D. Jones. Data: Elizabeth Gilrain



Below right—don't overlook a square inch of enjoyable space. For instance, this tiny garden (7x12 feet) off a family room is a real bonus-for-living area. It was taken from a side yard—space generally left unused. Potted plants of geranium, echeveria, and bromeliad add spots of color; stephanotis vine traces a light pattern on the fence.



Photograph: G. Suter, Hedrich-Blessing Designer: Jack Denst Data: Jessie Walker

Left—with this screen house, you could beat a fast retreat from the world of bugs—without leaving your own back yard. Three sides are all screening for maximum breeze. Cabinets on the solid wall store furniture and barbecue gear. It's easily built—needs only 6 precast concrete posts for foundation. *More photographs, how to build it, page 32.*



Photograph: Pearson Landscape Architect: Robert Chittock Data: Margery Phillips



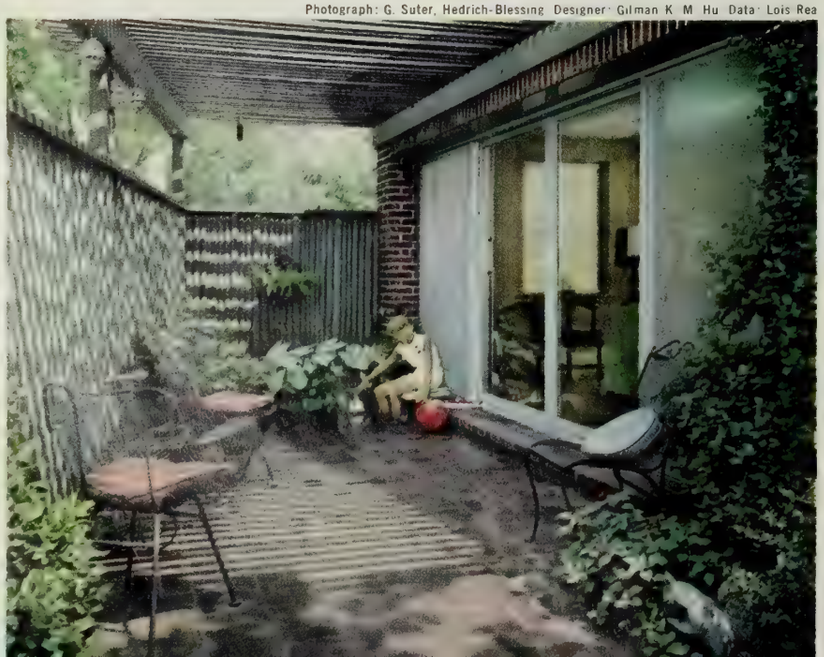
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Far left—cooling greenery and colorful blooms make you want to just sit down and let the day's problems disappear like bubbles in the tiny pool (rear). The Sherman Ellsworths, Seattle, Washington, used a slat fence and plantings, around a 10x20 area of textured concrete, to create this private, refreshing spot in their front yard.

Left—your outdoors is all *yours with a privacy screen like this one, made of silvery-stained red cedar. It's at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Neill Whisnant, Portland, Oregon. Both fences border the drive for privacy in the yard beyond. One section sits back 6 feet from the rest of the fence to make this welcoming entrance corner.*

peace and quiet at home

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Right—growing plants give year-around fragrance to this master bedroom in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Cronwall, Barrington, Illinois. The 9½-foot-square garden is enclosed by a carport wall (rear) and aluminum panels. The roof is screened—in winter, fiberglass panels placed over the screens hold in the heat.

Left—neighborhood bustle seems far away from this small court outside a garage turned family room. Linda Lord shows how peaceful the hours can be here for her—and for her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Lord, Saint Louis, Missouri. Fence and closely spaced 2x2s overhead shade the long wall of glass doors, as well as the court.



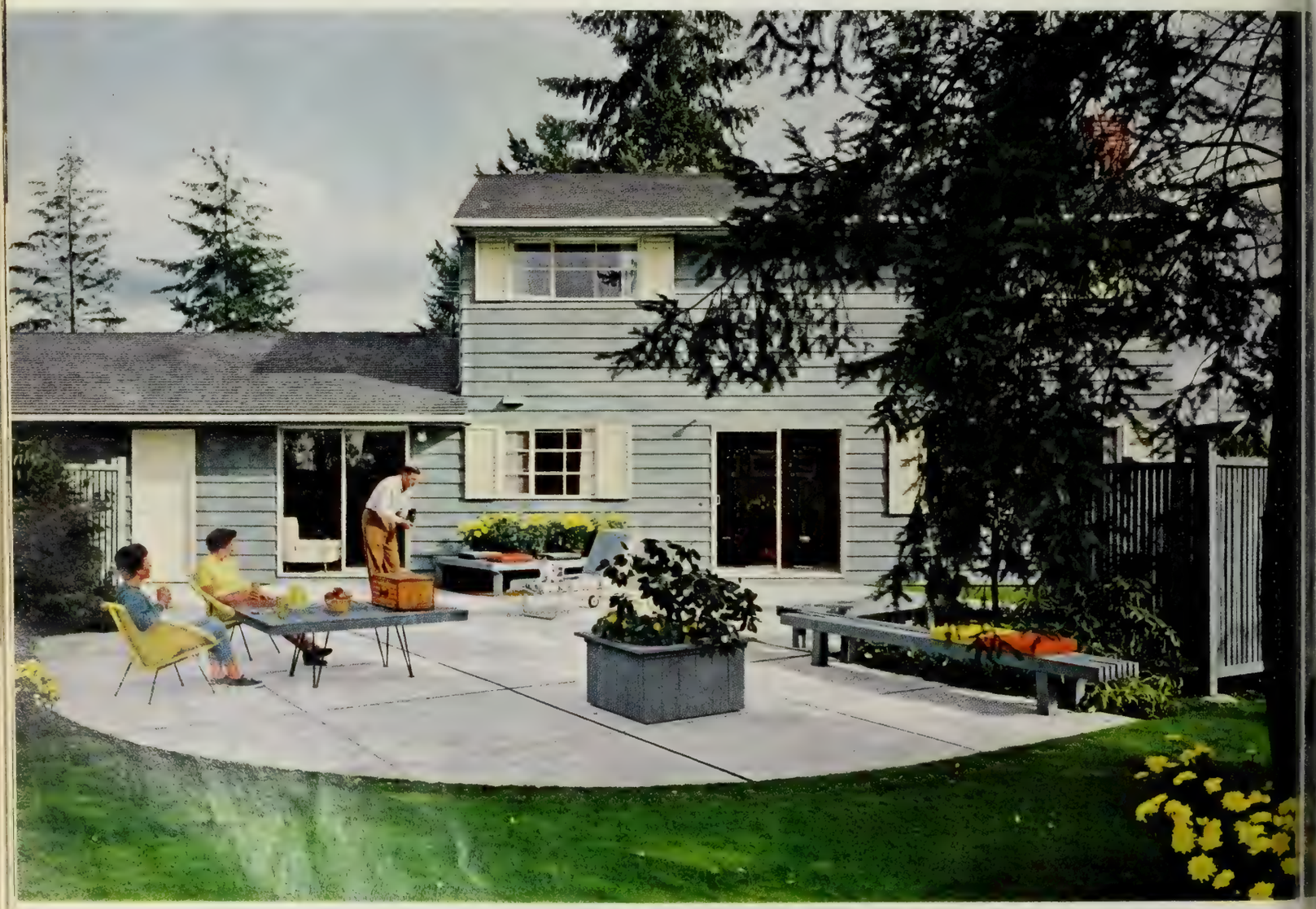
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Private first class

Privacy is primary to a good home, and you don't need a 10-foot stockade around your yard to get it. The home of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Noble, Seattle, Washington, has plenty of privacy even in the midst of a bustling subdivision.

A pleasing arrangement of fences and plantings not only screens the house and patio from view but creates its own scenery. The skillful design of the patio makes it seem intimate for the family alone, yet it is large enough to handle a crowd. The benches define the planting areas and add extra seating capacity.

By John D. Bloodgood





Picture yourself any place on this patio and draw a straight line in any direction. You'll encounter a fence, planting, or both—assurance of privacy.

It's easy to see that outdoor living was a major consideration in planning the house itself; all rooms face the patio. Sliding glass doors in the family room and dining room make the patio easy to reach from anywhere downstairs. Serving kitchen-cooked meals outdoors is easy, too. And, there's an entrance to the garage so the grill and furniture can be whisked inside at the first drop of rain.

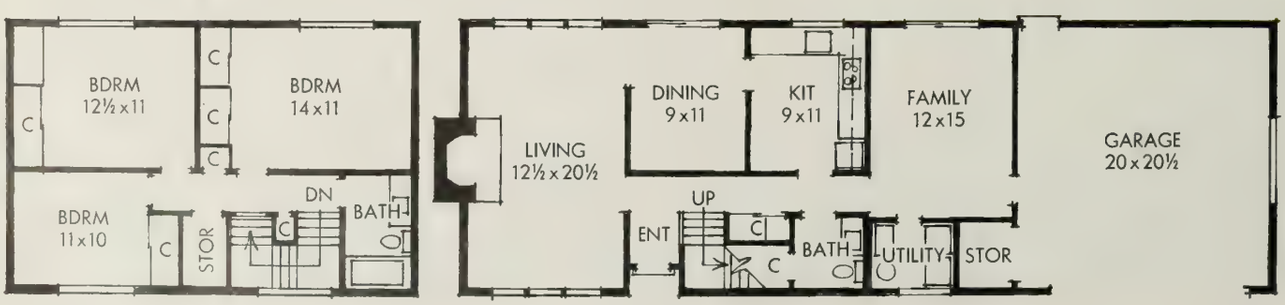
There's privacy inside this house too. The fireplace wall on one end and the garage on the other effectively screen the home from near-by neighbors. The dining room and kitchen serve as a buffer zone to separate the noisy family-room activities from the more formal living room. The kitchen is handy to both family room and dining room.

Outdoors, the Nobles got professional help with planning. But it was their own labor—except for pouring the concrete—that turned the plans into results. If you want to do your own planning, sketch your house and lot and adjoining homes and streets. Draw lines from the patio outward to determine where you will need fences and plantings.

Turn the page to see how the best in privacy is combined with the best in styling.

There's more than a hint of the Traditional about this 1,413-square-foot house, but the simplicity of detail is a contemporary refinement. The house is 21 by 65 feet.

Private first class



Landscaping skillfully guards the privacy of the interior, as well as the patio, and at the same time gives each room in the house an interesting view. The living room window (top) focuses on the colorful plantings that mark one corner of the patio. The family room (below) has sliding glass doors that invite outdoor activities and make the patio seem an extension of the room. Tough furnishings take the wear of in-and-out traffic.





Photographs: Charles Pearson.
Architect: John M. Anderson
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From the street, there's no forbidding look to this privacy. Instead, the handsome fence, trees, low plantings, and a gravel parking area extend a welcome to guests and a pleasant sight to passers-by.

A world of your own in a busy neighborhood



Photographs: Charles R Pearson. Data: Margery Phillips

Living in a busy subdivision doesn't mean you must have a public front yard. Landscape Architect Glen Hunt developed a plan with plenty of seclusion for the Ward J. Irwins, Mercer Island, Washington. The Irwins then took over and did the work.

What used to be a lawn-and-flowerbed front yard—with all work and no play—is now a pleasantly private living area and an all-year-round view that's enjoyable from living, dining, and kitchen windows. Maintenance is minimized with ground covers, concrete rounds, white marble chips.

You can borrow these ideas—and create a world all your own—no matter what the style of your house. The plan involves no changes to house itself, and is in timeless good taste.

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Above: Circular concrete pads of assorted diameters are set on white marble chips to form both stepping-stones and seating areas. A garden pool and planting bed repeat the circles which contrast effectively with the rectangular lines of the house and fence.

Below: This is the beautiful world of privacy tucked behind the fence. Color, texture, and shape are varied, yet harmonious. The fence is built in 8-foot sections with 4x4 posts, 2x4 rails, and 1x1 grilles—all of cedar. Fence panels are white fiberglass.

Is there a work ad

In this new Better Homes & Gardens series, Family Features Editor Neil Kuehnl will talk with leading authorities about many of the challenging family problems of our times. This month's discussion is with Dr. Nelson Bradley, chief of psychiatric studies at Lutheran General Hospital, Park Ridge, Illinois.

Neil Kuehnl. Is it possible, Doctor, for a man to become addicted to work in much the same way as he might develop an addiction to drugs or alcohol?

Dr. Nelson Bradley. What I am going to call "work addiction" is one of the amazing phenomenons of 20th Century American life. Our traditional definition of "addiction" requires three things: An addict *craves* something; he develops a *tolerance* to it so that the doses must grow ever larger; and he experiences *withdrawal* symptoms upon discontinuance. People who are addicted to work exhibit all those symptoms.

Kuehnl. But surely a man isn't a work addict simply because he works hard at a job he enjoys?

Dr. Bradley. That's one of the unusual aspects of this problem. Unlike drugs or alcohol, work is *approved of* in our society. After all, this country was built on plenty of hard work; it's part of our way of life. And no one denies that to be really happy and satisfied with life, a man *must* enjoy his job.

Kuehnl. Well, then, what is the difference between an honest day's work and what you term work addiction?

Dr. Bradley. The work addict, you might say, does the right thing for the wrong reasons. He works—not really for the pleasure of accomplishment or even for the material rewards—but because of the fears and anxieties within him. He often becomes a driven man, working harder and longer hours in an attempt to solve his personal problems.

Kuehnl. How can we recognize a work addict, Doctor?

Dr. Bradley. With alcoholism, it is difficult to draw any clear line between a few social drinks and the beginnings of a serious situation. Work addiction is even harder to define precisely. But we ought to become suspicious if a man habitually works long hours—compared to others in similar positions—at an intense pace, and with few breaks. If he seems forever preoccupied with his job ("always brings it home with him") our suspicions approach certainty.

Kuehnl. It seems to me that some men might be labeled "work addicts" without really deserving that name. Their wives become very upset when they go down to the office one Saturday morning in a month—or bring a brief case home occasionally—or at times are wrought-up about their jobs.

Dr. Bradley. You have put your finger on a key question for *any* kind of addiction—the matter of degree. The alcoholic is the man who can't drink moderately; for him, there's no middle ground between one drink and 20 drinks. It may be that with a man's job, an occasional period of "homework" is necessary for both his success and his happiness. On the other hand, the man who *cannot* be occasional or moderate about his work at home is almost certainly a work addict.

Kuehnl. As in the other addictions, I should think the family would often be more severely affected than the work addict himself. Do you think that is generally true?

Dr. Bradley. I've found it is usually the spouse of the work addict who is unable to bear the strain. The addict manages to build up a staggering tolerance for work until he has a coronary (I've seen many in men under 40, and a few in men under 30!), or he may even turn to another addiction like alcohol.

Kuehnl. Then work addiction becomes even more of a family problem than a personal one, doesn't it?

Dr. Bradley. Quite right. An alcoholic probably realizes he is killing himself with his addiction, but the work addict often slaves on, oblivious to all the threats to his own health and to the happiness of his family. That last aspect is particularly important. A work addict (even though on the surface he may appear to be a model husband and father) almost never pays full attention to his family—unless they practically demand it from him for short periods of time. For example, many work addicts come home from their jobs and plunge right into the evening newspaper—not from a real desire to know the day's events, but because reading the paper has become part of the day's *business.* Perhaps the family objects to Dad's prompt mental withdrawal at home, and maybe he will put down the paper briefly to converse with his wife or play with his youngsters. But in a few minutes, Dad is right back at the paper; he can't help himself.

Kuehnl. Are there specific danger signs which warn a man, or his family, that he's becoming a work addict?

Dr. Bradley. The best clues are to be found not by watching a man at his job, but by examining what he does in his "leisure" hours. After 5 P.M. (or whenever he finally leaves for home), the work addict quickly begins to feel rather ill at ease. If he drives home, he often treats the highway as a battlefield, with his car as a personal tank and all other drivers as the enemy. On weekends or vacations, he soon starts acting like a caged bear, forever hunting for "things to do." Around the house, he may be a busybody, poking into his wife's household affairs and telling her how inefficient she is with the cooking and house cleaning. If he has a hobby, the work addict will "hobby hard"—his stamp collecting or woodworking projects are all crash programs. If he's a golfer, 9 holes are for softies; he regularly plays 18 a day, or even 36.

Kuehnl. I know men who seem to fit your description of the work addict, Doctor. Yet many of them complain constantly about their jobs, and claim they hate work.

Dr. Bradley. The standard reaction of a certain type of work addict is to sound off about how he dreads going back to his job every morning. And he may well believe it, just as most alcoholics say they actually dislike liquor. But the work addict couldn't stay away from that "hated" job any more than the confirmed alcoholic could spurn his bottle.

Kuehnl. So far we've talked about work-addicted husbands. Do women ever become work addicts?

Dr. Bradley. They certainly do. The career woman, for example, should be judged as in French law—guilty until proved innocent. That doesn't apply to most working wives, however. Wives usually are employed to help shore up the family budget, and when they leave their jobs at night, they forget them.

Kuehnl. Would it be accurate to think of some housewives—even though they are not technically employed by anyone—as potential work addicts?

ct in your family?

Dr. Bradley. This is a little more speculative, but I suspect that many American housewives are seriously work addicted. Admittedly, a great deal of work must be done around most homes, especially when there are children. But some housewives run themselves completely ragged. I know one wife who rushes from one daytime project to another (never quite finishing any), and then to her husband's dismay, does things like waxing all the floors at night. And it's hardly necessary to comment on the woman who tops off a heavy schedule at home with an unreasonable amount of club work, bowling, and bridge—and then wonders why she never gets any rest.

Kuehnl. I have a feeling from what you've said so far that the work addict consciously or unconsciously makes his job more difficult than it really should be.

Dr. Bradley. That's very true. Although our society offers the work addict some tangible rewards—like higher income, job promotions, and greater prestige—work addiction is one of the *least successful* of all addictions. To a man who has problems, his excessive work isn't even a sedative—it's just a distraction. And a work addict quite often acts exactly as you would expect a distracted man to act.

Kuehnl. You mean that the work addict isn't really as efficient as he thinks he is?

Dr. Bradley. The typical work addict, for all of his supercharged activity and his air of getting things done, frequently will spend two hours doing a job that ought to take 15 minutes. Naturally, he always has convincing reasons why he has to work so hard. "Want the job done right, got to do it myself," he may say. Or "Using a new technique at the plant, would go all haywire if I didn't watch it every minute." I remember one salesman who was forever calling up his wife just before dinnertime to complain about being held up by an emergency meeting with the boss. It turned out that the salesman, a true work addict, was going in to the boss late in the day and setting up the meetings himself. He was simply unable to organize his work, and as a result created many hardships for himself and his boss, plus both their families.

Kuehnl. Doctor, now that you have described him so well, could you say something about how the work addict might be able to help himself?

Dr. Bradley. As I mentioned earlier, work addiction is basically an attempt to deal with inner stresses and anxieties. The first step in any treatment must be a frank admission by the work addict *that he is one*, with an understanding of the reasons why. As with other kinds of addiction, this is often the hardest step.

Kuehnl. Assuming he can go that far in recognizing his problem, does he then have any way out?

Dr. Bradley. Work addiction is an intensely individual matter. Each case arises from different causes, and therefore each solution will be unique. But one general approach has seemed valid in the many cases I've dealt with. The work addict must ask himself what he is really striving for. Is it greater social status, or an adequate salary, or a more creative life? Are his goals reasonable ones, or are they likely to remain forever just beyond his reach? In short, the work addict must look deeply into everything in his existence that could be causing him to substitute violent activity for genuine enjoyment of living. Very likely, he will eventually change his entire outlook toward job, family, friends, entertaining, and even minor things like how many times a day he looks at that little symbol of work addiction—the wrist watch.

Kuehnl. Are you implying that many of the factors behind work addiction are more imagined than real?

Dr. Bradley. Well, any anxiety or fear is real to the person who has it. But it certainly is true that most of the work addict's anxieties are entirely *unnecessary*—and he usually recognizes that fact the day he analyzes how he is ruining his life. For example, the work addict may be chasing a job promotion "rainbow" that he doesn't really want, or that wouldn't satisfy him if he did capture it. Or he may be trying to maintain a standard of living for his wife that *she* doesn't really want—at least, not at such a cost. Or he may be competing with other work addicts for reasons none of them has ever bothered to add up.

Kuehnl. Completely changing one's outlook toward life is quite a drastic step for anyone to take, Dr. Bradley. Is it the only possible answer?

Dr. Bradley. I can illustrate that best by asking you to picture in your mind the funeral of an alcoholic. There beside the grave stand the wife and children, a pathetic sight. You may even find yourself muttering something about "that drunken bum" who deserted them for the bottle. All right, now imagine another sad funeral—this one for a work addict who died of a heart attack. "Too bad," you say. "Joe's gone just in the prime of his life, and after he worked so hard for Mary and the kids." Yet the truth very likely is that Joe ignored the repeated advice of his doctor—and the pleadings of his family—to slow down and live. His tragedy may be every bit as great as that of the alcoholic who killed himself with drink.

Kuehnl. Are there any ways in which a wife or husband can help a work addict?

Dr. Bradley. Well, let's start by *ruling out* any kind of nagging or recrimination. The work addict already is unsure of himself, and the last thing he needs is to be torn down some more. In fact, he needs to understand that his spouse is actively on his side. In cases where a husband and wife have difficulty in talking over problems together, it is especially important to establish that "I'm-with-you-not-against-you" bond. Then, the man and his wife should set up some concrete objectives—for their family and for each of them individually. They might work out a Ten Year Plan, for example, incorporating the things they really want to achieve in that time, given the assets and liabilities they know they have. How much salary will be enough? Should he shoot for the top job? (We can't all become company presidents, and when the chips are down, most of us wouldn't want to be.) Is the marriage itself built on a solid foundation of love and mutual respect that will last through those ten years and beyond?

Kuehnl. What if the husband and wife are not able to resolve the problems that cause work addiction?

Dr. Bradley. A neutral third party—perhaps an understanding friend, a clergyman, or the family doctor—may be able to reach the work addict through calm logic and reason. In severe cases, the couple can seek help from a marriage counselor, a psychologist, or a psychiatrist. But whoever wants to help the work addict should hit hard on one surprising truth: Any man or woman who manages to *break* work addiction will very likely accomplish more—in less time and with less struggle—than before. END

COLOR IS A WAY OF LIFE

Color that starts table talk

By Elizabeth D. Craster

Monotonous tables shouldn't be! Nowadays there's no excuse for them. China and pottery—never more colorful or more varied—run a gamut of rainbow hues, exotic borders, and floral prints. You'll find a bold expression of color in the tableware itself—and even more subdued patterns gain authoritative voices with vivid cloths and mats beneath. Try a glowing nugget of glass or a brilliant basket to weave together the threads of a breath-taking color scheme. We hope these twelve tables will inspire you to turn a colorful eye toward your own table.



Hans van Nes





Teamed with an over-all floral pattern, like this Old Delft (beside the purple boy) try the accent of a purple mat, shell-folded gold napkin, frosted sapphire tumbler. Paler tones in flowers don't compete with forceful blue-purples. Affection silver carries out the floral theme. Garden setting (below) uses see-through accents of burning orange against a wood filigree silhouette, earth-toned stoneware, and sculptured Swallow pattern flatware. Gypsy colors peek out from a froth of napkin, find their counterparts in the flowers. At the sign of the lazy lion (below left) a fantasy table setting for the young in heart, dramatized by a jungle-dark background, unexpected touches of turquoise in the napkin and Mosaic plastic cup and saucer. Far-East opulence (above left) uses an all-pink color scheme with primitive Siamese motif on plate and mat. Classique silver adds an exquisite finale.

COLOR THAT STARTS TABLE TALK



Restrained and dramatic color blends add sheer enchantment to the simplest table setting. These four tables offer a lesson in the skillful use of color—at times muted, at times accented by bold and beautiful masses of flowers. Beside the delighted dog, an emerald-green background brings out the sparkling aqua tones of Cypress earthenware. Try a hint of glossy brass in a sugar and creamer; add white snaps and daisies. Below, a cascade of pirate golds, oranges, and copper hues combine to form a bold and balanced composition. Brilliant tones in the flowered plate find an echo somewhere in the table setting, with the same strong colors repeated in the gold and orange flowers.



By the cheerful cat, a vividly striped cloth launches a taupe, mustard, and amber color scheme carried out by each table accessory. Delicate Lynnfield pattern china has a restrained border of stylized wheat sprays which harmonize subtly with the background. Vivant pattern silver carries out the slender striped effect of the cloth. Here, we used a multitude of carmine flowers and a melon-colored fruit dish as opposite accents. Try a like color scheme in shades of bright green with massed purple flowers to offset it. Below, a lovely combination of cool green and gold. The Sampan tableware in mellow celadon green, teams with a yellow textured cloth to provide an unexpected color note for summer indoor and outdoor dining. Complete the elegant scheme with a dash of brilliant, contrasting color—ruby goblet and stalks of persimmon gladiolus. Orange blooms would be equally good.

COLOR THAT STARTS TABLE TALK

Tables set with ingenious, understated colors are timeless, classic, and elegant. Their impact depends upon attention to small detail—the skillful choice of an accessory, the proper blending of both muted and dramatic flower tones. When you're using place mats, it's important, as well, to pay attention to the color of your table top, dark or light wood, which becomes your background color in place of cloth. Above is a study in soft woodland shades. The setting utilizes earth tones in the Coquette pattern plate with its wreath of shadow roses. The tones appear in the textured place mat and lighter colored napkin. The glint of gold along the fluted rim is repeated in the gold flatware, rose napkin clip, and individual salt and pepper. Sun-yellow roses intensify the cream-colored table top. Pictured below is a rich mosaic study in muted green, beige, and Pompeian red against a dark-grained wood table. The warm red accents are carried out in the goblet, napkin clips, and carnations. For a surprise note, pink flowers. Vision silver complements the Tableau china.





By the pretty pink lass with the delicate air, a light and gay table array in pastel shades. All tones of the Arcadia pattern china are repeated in the color scheme. Angelique silver carries out the Victorian country-life theme. For a period setting like this, try a quaint horn-of-plenty folded napkin, a lacy place mat, the palest of blush-pink in a goblet. And for the centerpiece, a garden group of multicolored blooms. Below, a study in gold and white uses First Love china, with a restrained fleur-de-lis gold motif, to show off to full advantage an elaborately embroidered place mat of gold butterflies. For the right contrast, try a sea-foam green goblet and a touch of Venetian red with formal white flowers.

FABRIC

Fourth in a series of articles on arts and crafts

Extraordinary treasures can be yours for the snipping. The two simple steps described on the opposite page will give you the same kind of striking effects we show here. All you need for a fabric collage are scissors, fabric, dry-mounting paper, pressed board, and fabric glue.

By Kay Russell



A long, long pussy cat has been applied to a velveteen bolster and propped on a wall-hung bench. An even longer fellow—with some selected bird friends perched on his back and head—has been used as a wall hanging. Heads are half circles; bodies and legs are from rectangles; ears, toenails, and bird friends are triangles. Shop remnant counters for colorful, inexpensive fabric.

COLLAGE

Photographs: Wm. Hopkins

To copy the designs pictured here, or to do your own, first determine the size you want the wall hanging to be, and have your lumber dealer cut any pressed board to the exact measurement. Cut background fabric the same size, making sure patterned material is straight all around. Apply an inch of fabric glue *to the board* at the top. Anchor background evenly to board and allow to dry. For easy handling of the remaining fabric, fold it straight back from the glued edge. It is then simple to keep smooth as you roll it forward to attach. Glue only about four inches of board at a time, smooth the finish with a clean cloth or roller. Next comes the fun part—

Lay the wrong side of your design fabric on dry-mount paper; rub lightly with palm of hand, to stick. Then, as you cut the decorative shapes, the scissors action will bond the edges, to prevent fraying. (Buy dry-mount at an art or photo shop.) Lay cut design on background and cover with tissue paper to avoid direct contact of heat while pressing. Move a warm iron slowly over the surface, using extra pressure on edges. To hang, attach wire on board. Also try cushions, draperies, and curtains.

Designer: Don Werner





Red-letter changes for less than $200



The room used to be blue and green —and plain. Now, a red, white, and black color scheme adds sparkle.

Money doesn't have to be the most important item in your home redecorating scheme. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Cuttler, Southfield, Michigan, prove that point beautifully in their guest room/reading room.

These ambitious do-it-yourselfers redecorated their extra bedroom—from floor to fringe—all for under $200. And if you wonder whether you could do the same, just follow us through the changes.

By Jean Holmstrand

Photographs: Bill Hedrich, Hedrich-Blessing. Decorator: Robert Siegel, A.I.D. Data: Ann Sweeney





The major change was made with red corduroy, a sewing machine, and patience. Mrs. Cuttler sewed the cafe curtains, table skirt, bedspread, and rugs. The wall panel was glued in place, and the canopy dropped from a curtain rod on the ceiling.

A reading corner was furnished with a rocker (a second-hand-store "find") and a round table, made by attaching a circular piece of plywood to an old table. Adhesive-backed paper was used to cover the glass doors of the bookcase.

White walls and floor make the room look larger and form the perfect background for the dramatic red and black.

Enter your redecorating project in the Better Homes and Gardens Home Improvement Competition. Details, page 14.

Here's what it cost the Cuttlers

Hard-surface floor covering	$ 57
Paint	12
Cafe Curtains	11
Bedspread and canopy	34
Wall panel	5
Rugs	10
Table skirt	4
Chair and bench covers	2
Lacquer for chair and bench	2
Paint for chest	2
Light fixtures	50
Adhesive-backed paper	3
Pillow covers	4
Total	$196



Another trip you owe your family

Nature and history have collaborated to make certain sections of America nearly perfect vacation spots. Last month we took you to one of these areas—the small, historic triangle marked by Washington, Gettysburg, and Philadelphia. This month we visit another—New England—by using a newly devised circle route and less than two weeks' time. In future issues, our travel editors will outline several other trips each American family should take.

By Gordon Greer

It is said that no American ever makes his first trip to New England, for we have all been there before. This is where we came from. This is where, in pain and in anger, we presided at our own birth.

For a long time, England had been under the impression that our periodic rumbling inside her stomach was only mild indigestion, but at last she winced in recognition when we started tossing tea into Boston Harbor, and before long, a rider came pounding through the night to tell us the hour was at hand. By dawn, we waited nervously at Lexington and Concord. Finally, someone ran out of patience, squeezed his trigger, received an answer, and the labor pains started in earnest. Quickly they spread to Fort Ticonderoga, to Bunker Hill, Harlem Heights, Bennington. With great shrieks of agony rising in their wake, they moved on to Brandywine and Saratoga, to Valley Forge and Cowpens. The suffering seemed to be endless. Then, on a fine October evening, the bells of Boston's Old North Church rang out in exaltation. Cornwallis had quit at Yorktown, and there we were, just like that: a new baby born to the family of nations, screaming, naked, independent, ignorant of what might lie ahead, but unafraid to face any challenge so long as we held our freedom.

Time has had its usual effect on the countryside of our childhood—concrete snakes swarm over the hills now, and commerce darkens the sky—but the past has not been evicted. On the new New England Heritage Trail, a 2,000-mile itinerary on the scenic roads of six states, several hundred national shrines stand open to help impress on your children the traditions we were born to. You could probably spend a lifetime at it and still leave much unseen. Or you could do as we did recently and touch the high spots in barely two weeks.

In planning your tour, try to keep in mind that the Trail was designed to be helpful, not rigid. By changing its routing now and then, by wandering off on side trips of your own, you are using it properly.

In the following outline of one family's trip, the listed hours are for summer months only; they frequently change in October. When one price is given, it applies to everyone; when two are included, the second is for children, usually age 12 and under.

Boston and environs (2 days)

Boston Common, the city's green center and the oldest public park in America, is a suitable starting point. The British army mustered here for their march to Bunker Hill. So did local regiments bound for the Civil War. Emerson, in more peaceful times, brought his mother's cows here for grazing.

Today, the glittering dome of the State House shines above the park's north corner (*inside the building are historic paintings, statues, flags, and relics; Monday-Friday 9-3; free*), and behind the Common, in Public Garden, swan boats carry summer tourists on a large pond set among flowers. From the Common at the corner of Tremont and Park Streets, a city-size version of the Heritage Trail—Boston calls hers the Freedom Trail—heads north for about a mile and a half through three centuries of history. Walk the trail; don't drive it. The only thing harder than driving in Boston is finding a parking space.

Slightly beyond the Park Street Church, where "America" was sung for the first time in public in 1831, the trail reaches Granary Burying Ground (*daily 8-4*). Time-eroded stones mark the graves of Samuel Adams, Paul Revere, Benjamin Franklin's parents, John Hancock, and two of his fellow signers of the Declaration of Independence. Mary Goose, thought to be Mother Goose, also lies buried there.

The trail then goes east to King's Chapel (*daily 9-4; Sunday morning services at 11*), on past the site of our first public school, where Hancock, Emerson, Samuel Adams, and Cotton Mather studied, to the statue of Benjamin Franklin on the lawn of City Hall. Near by is the Old Corner Book Store, used as a club and meeting place by Longfellow, Hawthorne, Whittier, Holmes, Emerson, and Harriet Beecher Stowe. Just around the corner is Old South Meeting House, where the Boston Tea Party was planned. This



building was once a church; now it houses relics (*Monday-Friday 9-5, Saturday 9-4; 25 cents, free*). And across the street, a plaque marks the site of Benjamin Franklin's birth. Boston is where he went to school and where he learned to fly kites—long before he moved to Philadelphia.

Farther on stands the Old State House, where royal British governors ruled. Later, the Declaration of Independence was read to the public from the east balcony, and still later, John Hancock was inaugurated here as Massachusetts' first governor. Now restored, it contains a maritime museum and a collection of historic objects (*Monday-Saturday 9-4; free*). In front of the house, a cobblestone circle marks the site of the Boston Massacre, where the British, in 1770, fired on and killed five members of a mob that protested the quartering of troops in the town—the first bloodshed of the smoldering Revolution.

Then the trail reaches Faneuil Hall (pronounced "flannel" without the first "l"), nicknamed "The Cradle of Liberty" for its role as the scene of public meetings that fanned the uprising. Its first-floor market still flourishes, but the meeting hall on the upper floor is now used to hold historic paintings and a military museum (*Monday-Friday 10-4*).

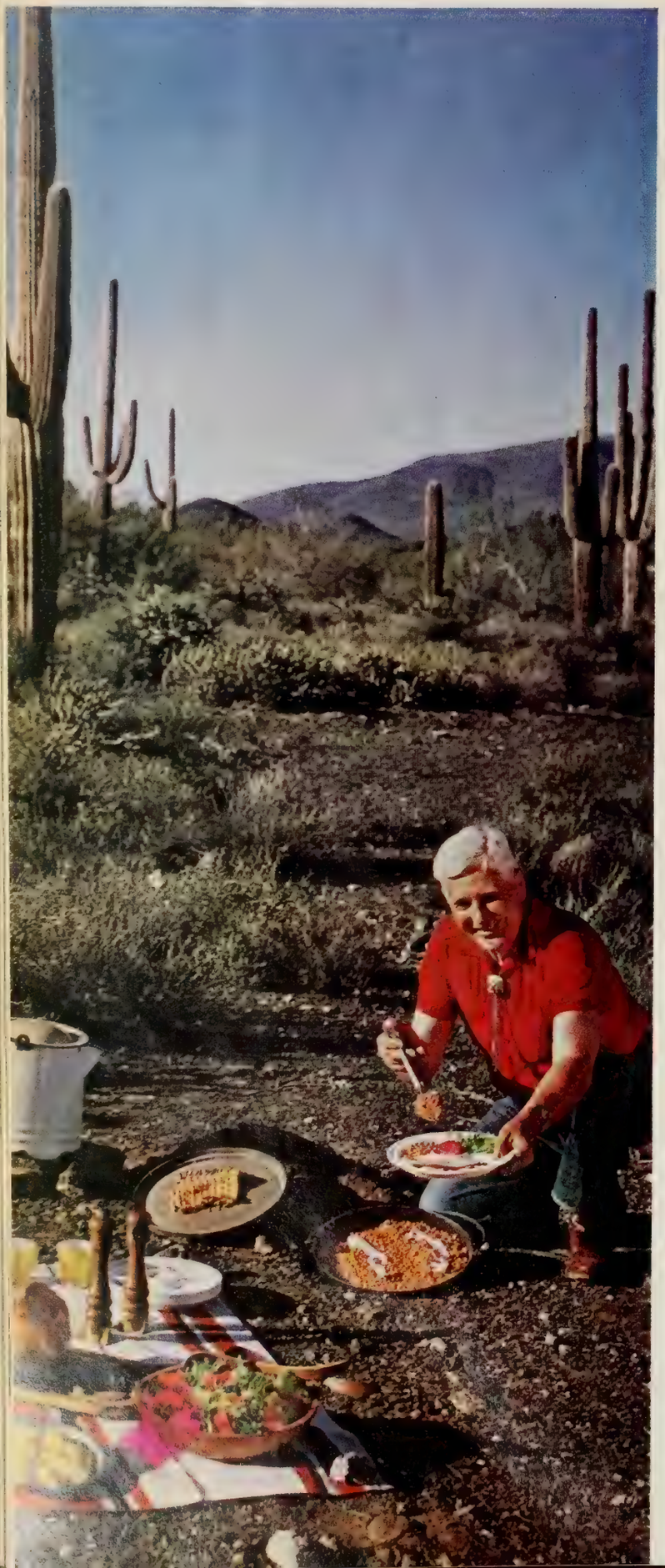
Behind Faneuil Hall—not part of the trail, but a pleasant interruption—is Durgin-Park restaurant. New England abounds in fine eating places. Their number is so enormous, in fact, that after this, none will be mentioned. But Durgin-Park's famed Yankee cooking (Indian pudding, apple pandowdy, Boston baked beans, and chowder, for example), its pleasantly modest prices (*95 cents-$3.95*), and its informality (the place looks like a vast kitchen) combine to make it uniquely attractive to wandering and hungry families (*Monday-Saturday 10:30-8:30, closed Sunday*).

Northward, the trail then hits Paul Revere country. His house, built in 1670, a century before he lived there—it's the oldest house in Boston—is restored to resemble its probable appearance on that April night when he looked out the window, saw the lanterns, and dashed to Lexington (*Monday-Saturday 10-4; 25 cents, free*). A handsome statue of the rider on horseback dominates Paul Revere Mall, near by, and at Old North Church the trail ends. The steeple from which the lanterns hung was blown down in 1954, but replaced a few months later. This is Boston's oldest church (*daily 10-4; Sunday services at 11 and 4:30*), and its bells are the same ones that rang out the news of Cornwallis' surrender.

For families that have some time left over after finishing the trail, two more attractions lie across the river in Charlestown, a mile or so away. One is Bunker Hill Monument (*daily 9-5; 10 cents to the top—294 steps, no elevator*), a 221-foot obelisk marking the scene of that battle (on Breed's Hill, not Bunker Hill). The other is the *U.S.S. Constitution*, more familiarly known as "Old Ironsides," the battered veteran of 40 engagements, most notably against the British in the War of 1812. Now restored and seaworthy, she stands at the U.S. Naval Shipyard, Wapping and Chelsea Streets, where sailors conduct tours on board (*daily 9:30-4; free*). For children, in particular, the ship serves to climax the day.

Boston's abundance of evening entertainment is too large to enumerate here. Newspaper listings and hotel pamphlets provide the best source of information on sports events, art shows, theatrical productions, lectures, festivals, motion pictures, and evening museum exhibits. For families fond of well-played music, performances by the Boston "Pops" often hold the strongest appeal. Concerts are held in Symphony Hall during May and June (*nightly except Monday plus Sunday matinees through June 3, then nightly including Monday but no Sunday performances; $1-$3.50*). After that, they move outdoors to Hatch Memorial Shell, on the bank of the Charles River Basin (*nightly July 2-21; free*).

A second day in the Boston area allows time for making the short excursion across the river and west through Cambridge—stopping for a tour of Harvard (*morning and afternoon tours on week-* [*Continued on page 114*



Recipes from the best cookout chefs we know

By Myrna Johnston and Foods Staff

This month, we give a special salute to the many thousands of good men cooks who entered our Cookout Contest last summer. Their recipe entries were absolutely top-notch, and if we'd had our way about it, everyone would have won a prize. They deserve extra credit for variety and originality.

Here, we introduce a group of chefs and their prize-winning ideas with barbecued meats. Recipes for outdoor vegetables, salads, fish, and grill snacks appear elsewhere in this issue. So get your own grill ready for action—you're in for the best cookouts yet!

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Dude Ranch Beans. Winner Clyde Erskine is a Sun City Arizonan and Montana rancher, half and half. He learned to chef in the days when he led pack trains into the mountains for fishing and hunting.

Dutch-oven cookery was almost a necessity on those trips into the back country. When chow was navy beans and ham, baked some 12 hours underground, his ranch guests said they never had it so good! Try his out-West recipe, and we bet you'll agree. The flavor is plain, honest, meaty.

Photographs: Towers, Snook, Cooke, Schulke, Frank Scherschel



Burgundy Beefburgers—dreamed up by William Merkelbach, North Merrick, New York. He adds sliced scallions to the beef, along with a couple fingers of red cooking wine.

Spring 'em on the boss, and we predict you'll be one more step up the ladder (at least as a gourmet).



Easy Pickin's. That's what Fred Rosenkoff, a Miami Beach service-station operator, calls these ribs.

The glaze blends soy sauce and brown sugar, garlic and crystallized ginger. This combo is the result of Fred's insatiable (and inspired) curiosity. Lickin' good!



Chuck's Chuck Roast is shown both in the big picture above and in the small one with its creator, Charles Baker, Downers Grove, Illinois. It boasts a "lazy man's" version of Bordelaise sauce.

Baker works tenderizer into beef, adds personal touch to canned gravy.



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Rolled Rib Roast, Reshan. You might think that no one could improve on plain barbecued roast beef, crusty and brown outside, nice and pink within. But meet a guy who has: Robert Reshan from Racine, Wisconsin.

Before it's rolled, the roast is spread with minced garlic and prepared horseradish; then on the spit, it's given a rubdown of the same! Contrary to what you might expect, the beef flavor is not covered up, but enhanced.



Hickory Smoked Turkey turns out about as brown as the hickory bark, but that's part of the kick of chefing it. The bird gets a salt plaster inside, a peppery basting.

When you come to gnawing a drumstick, you'll find the meat succulent with just a subtle smoke flavor—or something to that effect is what Bob Smith of St. Louis is telling daughter Lori. Sliced very thin, smoked turkey makes a great do-ahead-and-chill appetizer for a big party.



Peanut-buttered Pork Loin. As horticulturist and manager of a fruit farm in La Crescent, Minnesota, Wilburt Vollenweider spends all seasons outdoors—and likes it that way. So, he naturally cottons to the idea of cooking and eating in the fresh air (well, in summer, anyhow).

Although his youngsters were the inspiration for basting a pork roast with peanut butter and orange juice, the flavor is quite grown-up—and pleasantly Southern.

Photographs: Frank Scherschel; Harris; Reynolds; Phillips



Chili and Hot Leg of Lamb. Says Roland Findlay of Lutherville-Timonium, Maryland: "Barbecuing combines the best of ingredients—that is, good food, good friends, good weather, and an appreciative wife.

"My lamb dinner started with: 1 man (confident), 1 wife (doubting), 4 guests (willing). The result: 1 man (smug), 1 wife (awed), 4 guests (delighted), and 1 leg of lamb (delicious memory)!" Try the recipe and see.

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Hilo Hot Dogs. Miguel de la Cruz, a school principal in Hilo, Hawaii, won hands down for this entry. He prefers garlic-flavored franks, but any kind will sizzle and glaze to the same tart-sweet finish, almost as Hawaiian as the hula. The apricot sauce boasts outstanding flavor—use for glazing spitted duck or pork roast, too. Below is the recipe plus a close-up of Hilo Hot Dogs.

1 cup apricot preserves
½ 8-ounce can (½ cup) seasoned tomato sauce
⅓ cup vinegar
¼ cup cooking sherry
2 tablespoons soy sauce
2 tablespoons honey
1 tablespoon salad oil
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon grated fresh gingerroot or ¼ teaspoon ground ginger
2 pounds frankfurters

For the sauce, combine first 9 ingredients. Score the frankfurters on the bias and broil slowly, turning and basting often with the sauce, till hot through and glazed. Heat remaining sauce to pass with franks. To go along: grilled pineapple slices and a crisp tossed salad. Makes 8 to 10 servings.



Photographs: Snook; Take Kanemori



Photographs: Snook Hulin Anthony, Massar

Lamb Shanks, Armenian-Italian. An international cooking mix-up? Anyhow they're the best-looking shanks you'll ever see! Winner Vincent Petroni of San Jose calls for a cumin-spiked tomato marinade in his recipe, serves the lamb with broiled tomatoes and rice pilaf. That fresh chopchop is Gosh and Golly Relish entered by J. H. Edwards, San Angelo, Texas, who confides, "Gosh, it's good! Golly, it's hot!" He's right!

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Patio Fiesta Dinner—a Mexican beef stew in foil by Prof. James Parnell, Greenville, North Carolina.

As packets come from grill, he tops each with corn chips. You'll cry "Ole!" in your best Spanish.



Barbecue Sauce, Alaman. "Only an incautious wife would dare devise, revise, or advise in the strictly masculine realm of the Barbecue."

So muses Harry Jewett, Medford, Oregon, whose grand recipe it is.



Sparkling Grilled Ham is the sophisticated specialty of Daniel (Chet) Banks, a college man from Shrewsbury, Massachusetts.

Chet sails and water-skis all summer, still finds time to barbecue.

Swank Porterhouse Steak. Grad-student Richard Strehle, Litchfield, Illinois, adds manning the family grill to other sports while on vacation. His claim: "There's nothing served at the swankiest of the swank to compare with this steak!" You'll agree—it's charcoaled Porterhouse, stuffed with chopped onions, sauced with mushrooms.



The tragedy of an overprotective mother

By Stewart Beach

As he climbed out of bed, Jim Magruder paused to enjoy the view from his window. Below him, the sweep of suburban lawn dipped into a web of trees, then rose on a swell of hillside made bright by the early sun. To the left, he could see the newly landscaped lawn of the Randall family's house.

Jim frowned. Since February, when they moved to the suburbs, Ann, Jim's wife, had grown more and more tense because of their new environment. Jim had never realized how fiercely possessive Ann really was about controlling all influences on her family, especially on their young son, Tommy. Previously, they had lived in an apartment building where, technically, children weren't allowed. But the manager was a friend of the family, and had made an exception for Tommy. He was the only child in the building, and that was how Ann preferred it. Well, suburban life was different—and Tommy was better off—and she'd have to get used to it.

Jim clattered downstairs and joined his wife and son in the kitchen.

"How are you, soldier?" he asked.

"I'm not a soldier," Tommy said.

"Why I thought you were," Jim said. "You and Pete Randall were storming a fort a couple of nights ago."

Donald Tulloch



Tommy squirmed. "That's kid stuff, Pete says," he muttered. "Now people fight with hydrogen bombs."

"Tommy!" Ann cried, "I don't want you to listen when Peter Randall talks about hydrogen bombs." She turned to her husband. "Oh, Jim, can't you—"

There was a shout outside, and Tommy jumped excitedly to his feet to meet young Peter Randall, playing warden of the Civil Defense Corps.

"Hydrogen bomb!" Pete sang out. "Come on, Civil Defense! To the rescue!"

Tommy charged out the door. "A-okay, Senior Warden," he shouted. "People here all in home shelter with cans of food and milk for eight days!"

Ann got slowly to her feet, and Jim rose to put an arm across her shoulder. "Don't worry about bombs," he said.

She freed herself gently. "Tommy learns horrible things like that because he's with Peter Randall every minute he's home," she said. Suddenly she put her face against his chest and she was crying. "Can't we move back into the city? I know Mr. Parkins will let us have our old apartment back. I'm just so afraid for Tommy out here—getting mixed up with these other children, especially with Peter Randall."

Jim lifted her face. "Look, Ann," he said. "Tommy has to grow up. It isn't Peter's fault—and it isn't the suburbs'."

"Peter's so adventurous," Ann broke in. "You don't know how I worry when Tommy goes off with him."

Jim dropped his arms and sat down to attack his eggs. "Little boys need to roam," he said. "You can't mother him all his life. Stop being so tense. I love Tommy just as much as you do. He's having a wonderful time knowing other children for the first time. It's a big thing. Don't spoil it for him."

"I'm not spoiling it!" Ann cried. "It's Peter. Peter's guiding Tommy's life. And you won't understand."

He stood up and kissed her. "I've got to run now. I'm due at the new school we're working on."

"Then you'll be going past the old apartment," Ann said, almost begging. "Please see if it's still available!"

"If it'll make you happier," Jim said. "But Tommy likes it here."

He drove toward town with his thoughts churning. Part of what Ann said was quite true. Tommy had grown difficult since he started school. Without mentioning it to Ann, Jim had stopped one afternoon for a talk with Tommy's teacher. She was surprised at his question. "Why, no," Miss Young had assured him. "I'd say Tommy has adjusted to his group quickly. If he's difficult at home, perhaps the other children overstimulate him. It often happens in second grade with an only child."

Jim remembered the interview as he drove toward the city. But there must be something bothering Tommy, he thought, if he seemed quite normal in school. And then he guessed what it was. Ann kept warning Tom about things he mustn't do with Peter—dangerous things, as she imagined them. And Tom was probably doing them all—exploring the neighborhood, wading in the "dry" creek, climbing trees and fences—and growing more and more reticent at home. But how could Jim make Ann see that she couldn't forbid Tommy all the things that seemed glamorously exciting to a boy of eight.

He pressed the brake just in time to stop in front of the apartment. A vacancy sign was outside, and Mr. Parkins told him their apartment was unoccupied. And no, there still were no other children in the building.

When Jim returned to the office, his partner, Tad Curtis, ran to meet him.

"Your wife called twice," Tad said, "once from home and then from the hospital. You're to go straight over there. Tommy's broken a leg."

Jim tore away from the curb and was soon being led down a hospital corridor to the door of Tommy's room, where he stood for a moment, taking in the scene—the bed with Tommy lying in it, his face white, Ann holding his hand.

Ann rose as he entered the room. "He's all right, Jim," she said, "and he was so brave when the bone was set."

Jim brushed past her and stood over his son. He could feel tears under his eyelids and he knew he mustn't let his son see him cry. "How is it, Tommy?"

Tommy looked up quickly and then away. "All right, I guess," he said. "Mummy wanted me to tell you I was climbing a tree when I shouldn't have been. We were pretending I was going up beside a rocket to get in the nose cone, and Peter was on the ground, doing the countdown. I slipped and fell."

Ann looked up proudly. "He's being so good," she said. "I'm going to stay right here with him. They said they'd move a cot in for me."

Jim looked at her strangely, because there was almost a note of triumph in her voice. He glanced down at Tommy, and the boy was staring at the ceiling.

"Daddy," Tommy said suddenly, "I don't think I'll play with Peter any more. He plays too hard."

Suddenly Jim felt alone in what should have been a time of closeness. He knew it was wrong, but there was only one way he could make things right. "I stopped to see Mr. Parkins today," he said to Ann. "The apartment's still vacant. I'll call in the morning and tell him we'll be back."

She linked her arm through his, and they stood looking down together at the face of their son. "Won't that be lovely, Tommy?" Ann said. "Daddy's going to take us back where we had so much fun—just you and me—and Daddy."

Tommy continued to stare at the ceiling, and Jim knew what he had done. He was buying peace with Ann. But what would it cost his son? END

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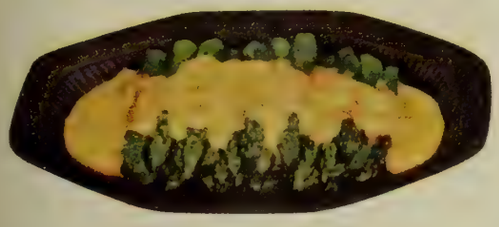
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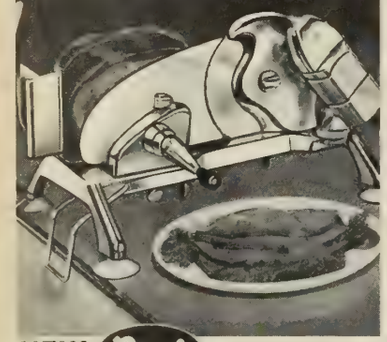
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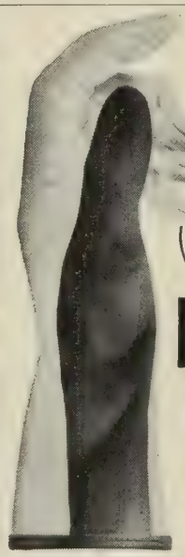
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Cooking with corn meal, canned fruits

NEXT JANUARY, we'd like to publish your best recipe featuring corn meal. Or, tell us about an exciting new canned-fruit dessert. Two Cooks-of-the-Month will receive $20 each. Nineteen other winners will receive $5 each. Selected winning recipes will be pictured in the Prize Tested Recipes pages next January. The winners of these 21 prizes will receive a framed *Better Homes & Gardens* Certificate of Endorsement and six copies of the endorsed recipe.

Hints to help you

Cooking with corn meal. There's many a specialty built around corn meal. What's yours? Your best recipe for this cereal could be a hot bread or a main dish. Use yellow or white corn meal. Or, start with a quick corn-bread or muffin mix.

bacon corn muffins
fried mush
tamale pie
Italian polenta
spoon bread
corn-meal waffles
hush puppies
herb corn bread
corn-meal dumplings or stuffing
Indian pudding

Canned-fruit desserts are easy, economical, and good! Your favorite could be a cobbler, upside-down cake, fruit cup, or gelatin dessert. What about a mile-high cheesecake or baked tarts? Use any fruit—just so it comes out of a can. Ideas:

pineapple ice-cream parfaits
fruit-cocktail torte
cranberry fluff
plum shortcake
cherry lattice tarts
apple crisp
cherry compote
peaches Melba
fruit freeze

Contest rules

1. Write your recipe clearly on one side of the paper and mark it "January Cooking with Corn Meal" or "January Canned-fruit Desserts." If you wish, send a recipe for each of the two categories.
2. Print your full name and address in upper right corner of paper.
3. Give measurements in *level* cups, tablespoons, teaspoons.
4. Specify brand names of the *nationally* known food products you use as ingredients so we can test your recipe with the same brands.

THIS MONTH'S WINNERS

(*See recipes on pages 83 and 84*)

Cooks-of-the-Month

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5. Include 50 to 100 words about the origin of the recipe you submit.
6. Recipes submitted become property of *Better Homes & Gardens*.
7. Entries must be postmarked by midnight, June 30. In cases where duplicate recipes are submitted, the one with the earliest postmark will be judged. All judges' decisions will be final.
8. We reserve the right to adjust and edit winning recipes.
9. Address the recipes you enter to 5506 Test Kitchen, *Better Homes & Gardens*, Des Moines 3, Iowa.

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Last June and July, we asked men to send us their favorite outdoor recipes—no holds barred—from hot dogs to a side of beef, from over-the-coals appetizers to patio salads. We received thousands of superb entries showing the great and uninhibited cooking flair of America's outdoor chefs. Below is a list of the 100 outdoor cooking grill winners. There were 250 others who received copies of Better Homes & Gardens Barbecue Book.

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- 1 teaspoon salt
- ⅛ teaspoon pepper
- ⅛ teaspoon basil
- 2 cans Franco-American Macaroni
- 1 can (1 pound) tomatoes, drained

In skillet, cook beef, onion, salt, pepper, and basil until meat is brown and onion is tender; stir to separate meat particles. Add macaroni and tomatoes. Heat, stirring now and then. 4 to 6 servings.



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Mirrors in antique frames have been used, picture-fashion, in a wall grouping in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Peter Van Schaact, III. They add sparkle and light to a dark inside corner.

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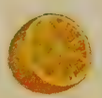
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GENERAL FOODS KITCHENS

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Supper in a skillet

File under One-dish Meals



German "Pizza"

1½ tablespoons fat
3 medium potatoes, pared and thinly sliced
Salt and pepper
• • •
½ cup chopped onion
½ cup chopped green pepper
2 cups julienne strips canned luncheon meat (1 12-ounce can) or ham
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3 eggs
½ cup shredded sharp process American cheese

Melt fat in 10-inch skillet. Spread *half* the potato slices over bottom; sprinkle with salt and freshly ground pepper. Top with a layer of *half* the onion and *half* the green pepper, seasoning with salt and pepper. Arrange *half* the meat atop. Repeat layers of vegetables, *reserving* the remaining meat for garnish. Cover; cook over low heat till potatoes are tender, about 20 minutes. Break eggs into bowl; pour over potatoes, breaking yolks and spreading eggs evenly with a fork. Add meat, spoke-fashion. Cover and cook till eggs are set, about 10 minutes. Top with cheese; cover till cheese starts to melt, about 2 minutes. Center with parsley. Cut in wedges to serve. Makes 5 or 6 servings. *Mrs. Paul G. Zarbock, Madison Wisconsin*

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Ice cream-sherbet

Waikiki Sundaes

Scoops of ice cream, a tropical sauce, and a sprinkling of crisp toasted coconut—that's a Waikiki Sundae! Remember this for Polynesian-style dinners—

3 tablespoons mashed ripe banana
1½ teaspoons lemon juice
½ cup orange marmalade
½ cup pineapple-apricot preserves
Rum flavoring to taste
Vanilla ice cream
½ cup flaked coconut, toasted

Combine banana and lemon juice; add marmalade and preserves. Cook 5 minutes over low heat, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; stir in rum flavoring. Makes about 1⅓ cups. Spoon warm sauce over vanilla ice cream. Sprinkle with the toasted coconut. *Mrs. D. J. Murphy, Santa Monica, California*

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File under Desserts





Caramel Crunch

½ cup coarsely broken pecans
2 tablespoons butter or margarine

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½ package (½ cup) tiny caramel or butterscotch pieces
1 quart vanilla ice cream

Toast pecans in butter in skillet, stirring often. Add caramel pieces; heat and stir until melted. Cool to room temperature. Stir ice cream just to soften. To "chip," dot the caramel mixture over ice cream, fold in. Turn into refrigerator tray. Freeze firm. Trim with pecans. Makes about 1 quart.

Mrs. Ralph L. Hurst, Hanna City, Illinois



Frozen Rainbow Dessert

Glamorous, refreshing for summer luncheons—

1 dozen coconut macaroons
2 cups whipping cream
1 pint *each* lime, raspberry, and lemon sherbet

Toast macaroons in slow oven (300°) 10 minutes; crush into medium-fine crumbs. Whip cream just till it *mounds slightly* (not stiff); fold in crumbs. Spread about *a third* of the whipped-cream mixture over bottom of 9½x5x3-inch loaf pan. Using *half* of each, quickly spoon sherbets in layers on top. Cover with another *third* of the cream mixture. Repeat layers, cream on top. Freeze firm. To serve, turn out and slice. Makes 12 servings.

Mrs. Doris Welch, Alexandria, Virginia



Apricot Frost

1 No. 2½ can (3½ cups) apricot halves
1 3-ounce package orange-flavored gelatin
1½ cups sugar
3 slightly beaten egg yolks
⅓ cup lemon juice
2 cups milk
1 cup light cream
3 stiff-beaten egg whites

Drain apricots, reserving *1 cup syrup*. Mix gelatin, sugar, reserved syrup, and the egg yolks. Heat, stirring constantly, just till mixture comes to boiling. Remove from heat. Sieve apricots; add to the gelatin mixture. Add lemon juice. Stir in milk and cream. Freeze firm in refrigerator trays. Break in chunks and beat with electric beater till smooth. (Or, partially freeze; beat smooth with rotary beater.) Fold in egg whites. Return to trays; freeze firm. Makes 2½ quarts. **For Ice-cream Freezer,** mix as above, except use slightly beaten *whole* eggs in the cooked mixture instead of separating yolks and whites. Freeze in 1-gallon ice cream freezer, using 6 parts ice to 1 part salt. Remove dasher. Cover can with several thicknesses of waxed paper; replace lid. Pack in ice and salt (4 to 1); let ripen several hours. *Mrs. Dale Calkins, Mount Etna, Iowa*



Frank-'n-Noodle Supper

1 No. 2½ can (3½ cups) tomatoes
½ cup water
1 envelope spaghetti-sauce mix
1 cup chopped celery
1 tablespoon instant minced onion
1½ teaspoons sugar
6 frankfurters
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
4 ounces (3½ cups) medium noodles
½ cup shredded sharp American cheese

For sauce, combine first 6 ingredients. Cut franks in thirds diagonally; brown in butter. Add noodles; pour sauce over, moistening all. Cover; cook over low heat, stirring occasionally, 25 minutes or till done. Sprinkle with cheese. Makes 4 servings.

LaVerne Shirley Kroll, Memphis, Tennessee



Chicken Cioppino

1 2½- to 3-pound ready-to-cook broiler-fryer chicken, cut up
¼ cup butter or margarine
1 recipe Italian Sauce

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1 pound cleaned raw shrimp (about 1½ pounds in shell)

Season chicken with salt and pepper. Brown slowly in butter, turning once. Add Italian Sauce; cover and simmer till chicken is tender, about 35 minutes. Add shrimp, being sure to immerse in sauce. Cover and continue cooking just till shrimp are done, about 5 to 10 minutes. Serve in hot soup plates. Pass French bread. Makes 6 servings.

Italian Sauce: Mix two 8-ounce cans (2 cups) seasoned tomato sauce, ½ cup cooking claret, ¾ cup chopped onion, 1 clove garlic, minced, 3 tablespoons snipped parsley, 1 teaspoon basil, crushed, 1 bay leaf, crushed, ½ teaspoon salt, and dash pepper. *J. V. Troyer, Santa Cruz, California*



Sacramento Spanish Zucchini

1½ teaspoons salt
1 teaspoon mono-sodium glutamate
½ teaspoon chili powder
Dash pepper
4 ½-inch pork chops
½ cup uncooked rice
1 No. 2½ can (3½ cups) tomatoes
½ cup *each* chopped green pepper, onion, and ripe olives
1 tablespoon sugar
2 cups thinly sliced zucchini squash

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¼ cup shredded Parmesan cheese

Mix first 4 ingredients. Trim fat from chops and heat in skillet. Remove trimmings and brown chops, seasoning with *1 teaspoon of the* chili mixture. Drain off fat. Add rice, tomatoes, green pepper, onion, olives, and sugar. Border with zucchini; sprinkle all with chili mixture. Cover; cook, stirring occasionally, 1 hour or till pork is done—no pink. Top with cheese; cover to melt. Makes 4 servings.

Mrs. William H. Harrison, Sacramento, California

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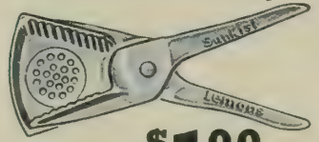
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Late Season Trout

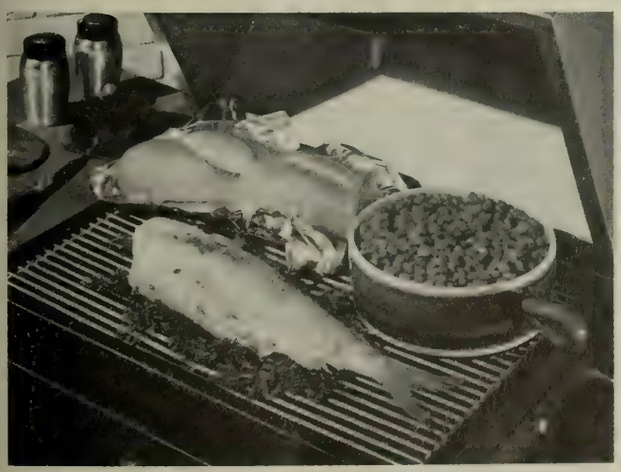
Even if your sea food is store bought, this recipe's "worth fishing for"! From Bradford Angier, Cambria, California—

Beat to blend 2 eggs, 1 tablespoon cream or milk, 1 teaspoon dried parsley flakes, 1 clove garlic, minced, and ½ teaspoon allspice. Coat 8 cleaned brook trout inside and out with the mixture. Put 1 or 2 strips grilled bacon in each trout and place in a greased wire broil basket or on a greased hot grill. Cook over hot coals 20 minutes or till fish flakes with fork—turn once. Serve with lemon wedges. Makes 8 servings.

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Fish in Corn Husks

Pan fish skip the pan this time. William Davis, Jamesville, North Carolina, suggests seasoning with lemon; Bemus Cooper, Maitland, Florida, places bacon on each fish before wrapping in husks—

In the cavity of each cleaned fish place a lump of butter (cut chunks 1-inch wide from a ¼-pound stick) and give fish a generous squirt of lemon juice. Sprinkle with salt and fresh-ground or cracked pepper.

Wrap each in a whole de-silked corn husk,* and tie with string at the silk end. Place on bed of hot coals; cover top with more coals. Cook about 15 minutes or till fish flakes when tested with fork. Pass extra butter.

*If husks are quite dry, first soak in water about 5 minutes.

Fish and Bacon variation: Sprinkle fish cavity with salt and fresh-ground pepper. Place a bacon strip down each side of fish when wrapping in corn husks. Continue as above.

Simple Simon Fish Grill

Smoldering herbs flavor the broiling fish in this recipe from Robert Bowens of West Seneca, New York. When the big ones are biting, remember this recipe!—

Salt a cleaned 1½- to 2-pound fish (whitefish, trout, or similar fresh-water fish). Melt ½ cup butter and mix in 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon coriander seed, crushed, ¼ teaspoon cardamom, a dash pepper, 2 tablespoons lemon juice, and 1 cup yoghurt. Coat fish inside and out with this mixture. Place in wire broil basket and cook over coals till fish browns on both sides and flakes when tested with a fork (about 25 to 30 minutes)—brush often with the sauce.

Ten minutes before end of cooking time, make a bed of a bunch of fennel, dill, or other leafy herb on grill top and lay fish on the greens. Grill till herbs smolder and flavor the fish, turning once. Heat remaining sauce to pass in bowl. Makes 4 to 6 servings.



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Grill Frills are the specialty of Arthur Matula, Los Angeles.

Easy—you wrap a Bologna slice around a cube of sharp process cheese or slice of candied dill pickle. As it grills, the whole kabob is brushed with tart Italian dressing.

Mr. Matula also suggests folding the meat around a chunk of canned pineapple or two slices of well-marinated cooked potato.

Pineapple-on-a-Spit won a prize for Willard C. Smith, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

This beautifully simple recipe makes a glamorous hot appetizer or light dessert.

The pared pineapple is studded with cloves, then brushed with cinnamon-spiked maple syrup as it turns on the rotisserie.

For a handsome topknot and "handle," you protect the leaves with foil.



Snacks for the barbecue

Men the country over have sent us their favorite outdoor appetizers. These winners will get your barbecue off to a delicious start. And you can take your time with the rest of the fixings—folks won't be hungry for a while.

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Sonora Shrimp—the best thing that's happened to dill since pickles.

This interesting recipe comes from J. L. King, Corona Del Mar, California, who, in an inspired moment, added a spoonful of dill weed to bottled barbecue sauce.

The shrimp marinate overnight in refrigerator, then are brushed with more good sauce while grilling.

Instead of extra marinade, Mr. King likes to pass a lemon-butter sauce jacked up with Tabasco *and* chili powder.

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Grill Frills

Fun to do and fun to eat. The "frills" are Bologna "packages" of cheese or pickle—

For each appetizer: Spread a big Bologna slice with prepared mustard and center with ½-inch cube of sharp process American cheese. Enclose cheese by barely overlapping two opposite sides of meat; repeat with the two remaining sides to make "frill." Now push skewer through to hold together. Make another frill from Bologna slice centered with a slice of candied dill pickle. Intersperse frills on skewer with squares of green pepper, cooked tiny whole onions, and pimiento-stuffed green olives. Grill over hot coals about 10 minutes or till lightly browned, brushing frequently with your favorite Italian dressing.

Pineapple-on-a-Spit

Remember this when you want an elegant accompaniment for grilled ham slices—

Pare a medium pineapple, leaving leafy crown intact. Remove pineapple eyes and, if desired, replace with 15 to 20 whole cloves. Center pineapple on spit—you may need to pull out a few spikes from center and "blaze the trail" with a small skewer. Secure with holding fork. Wrap leafy end in foil. Let rotate over hot coals 45 minutes to 1 hour, basting frequently with mixture of ½ cup maple-flavored syrup and ½ teaspoon cinnamon. Slice and serve hot.

Sonora Shrimp

Shrimp cocktail takes on delicious "cooked-outdoors" character—

1 cup bottled barbecue sauce
3 tablespoons lemon juice
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
1 teaspoon dill weed

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1 pound large shrimp, peeled and deveined

Combine first four ingredients for marinade and pour over shrimp; cover and let stand 6 hours or overnight in refrigerator, stirring occasionally. Cook shrimp on fine wire grill over hot coals 6 to 8 minutes or till done, turning once and brushing often with marinade. Don't overcook! Heat remaining marinade and serve with the shrimp. Makes 3 to 4 servings.

Hobo Popcorn

Foil takes this All-American favorite to the back-yard barbecue. The idea is from L. F. Shinkel, Tucson, Arizona—

For 4 servings, cut an 18-inch square heavy-duty foil into 4 squares. In center of each, place 1 teaspoon salad oil and 1 tablespoon popcorn. Bring the 4 corners of foil to center, making pouch like hobo knapsack. Seal edges well. With string, tie corners of each pouch to long-handled barbecue tool or green stick. Place pouch directly on hot coals and shake often till corn is popped. Open pouch and season popcorn with melted butter and salt.

Delray Shrimp Dip

Just the thing for guests to enjoy as the meat grills. Robert Malone, Albion, New York, is the winner. Remember for indoor snacking, too—

1 can frozen condensed cream of shrimp soup
1 cup shredded sharp process American cheese
1 4½-ounce can (¾ cup) shrimp, cut up
¼ teaspoon Tabasco sauce

In saucepan, combine ingredients. Heat slowly, stirring till blended and mixture bubbles. Serve as hot dip with Melba toast or *unsalted* crackers. Makes 2 cups.

Patio Punch

A pretty drink with lots of sparkling fruit flavor. This is the specialty of Hans Froendt, Jr., Spirit Lake, Iowa—

1 envelope cherry-flavored drink powder
1 envelope strawberry-flavored drink powder
2 cups sugar
2 quarts cold water
1 6-ounce can frozen orange-juice concentrate
1 6-ounce can frozen lemonade concentrate
1 quart ice cubes
1 1-pint 12-ounce bottle ginger ale (about 3½ cups), chilled

Combine drink powders and sugar. Add water and stir to dissolve. Add frozen concentrates. Chill till serving time. Pour over ice cubes. Pour ginger ale slowly down *side* of bowl. Makes about 4 quarts.

Oysters Vesuvio

An outdoor chef can become famous with this winner of John J. Leslie, Jr., Lafayette Hill, Pennsylvania—

12 oysters in shell
¼ cup butter or margarine
2 tablespoons sliced green onions
2 tablespoons snipped parsley
⅓ cup corn-flake crumbs
⅓ cup shredded Parmesan cheese

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Rock salt

Shuck oysters; cut in thirds. Divide oysters among 12 half-shells. Season with salt and pepper. Blend butter, onions, and parsley; dot over oysters. Mix crumbs and cheese and sprinkle over. Pour rock salt into large foilware pan or baking dish to 1 inch. Press oyster shells slightly into rock salt to anchor. Grill, hood down, close to hot coals 20 to 30 minutes or till oysters are done and crumbs are browned. Makes 4 servings.

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Dude Ranch Beans

Pardner, these beans let you live those Westerns—

You'll need a large old-time cast-iron Dutch oven—at least 6-quart size—that has a lid with flange around it to hold hot coals and a handle in the center so a hook can be used to pick the lid up (see page 70). Dig a hole in the ground deep enough for the depth of your Dutch oven plus 3 inches of coals at top and bottom and 4 inches of earth over all; width of hole needs to be about 1½ times the diameter of your Dutch oven to allow for coals along the sides.*

- 2 pounds (about 4 cups) small navy beans
- ¼ teaspoon soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon ginger
- 1 teaspoon dry mustard
- 2 tablespoons molasses
- 3 to 4 pounds uncooked ham

Soak beans overnight in 3 quarts cold water in Dutch oven. In the morning, add soda, cover, and bring just to boiling. Beans should be barely covered with liquid. Add seasonings and molasses; mix. Place ham in center of beans. Cover Dutch oven with preheated lid and lower onto 3-inch bed of hot coals in hole. Place more hot coals around Dutch oven and over lid to depth of 3 inches. Fill in the hole with about 4 inches of earth. Let cook 8 to 12 hours. Makes 12 to 15 servings.

Note: Erskine cooks a gallon of beans and a whole ham 12 to 14 hours. For a Dutch oven, 16 inches across, with 4 inches of coals at top and bottom plus 6 inches of dirt covering, he digs a hole 24 inches deep and 24 inches across.

*To cook indoors, using Dutch oven with kettle-type lid, bake in slow oven (300°) about 8 hours.

Burgundy Beefburgers

A tasty way to jazz up hamburgers—

- 2 pounds ground chuck
- 1 cup soft bread crumbs
- 1 egg
- ¼ cup red cooking wine (not sweet)
- 2 tablespoons sliced scallions or green onions
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Dash pepper

In large bowl, toss all ingredients with a fork until well mixed. Shape in 8 patties, about ½ inch thick. Broil over hot coals, turning once and brushing frequently with Burgundy Sauce, 13 to 15 minutes total cooking time or till of desired doneness. Heat remaining sauce to pass. Makes 8 servings.

Burgundy Sauce: Cook 2 tablespoons sliced scallions in ½ cup butter or margarine till tender but not brown. Add ¼ cup red cooking wine.

Chuck's Chuck Roast

Choose a 4- to 5-pound chuck pot roast, about 2 inches thick. Trim off excess fat. Let meat come to room temperature. Slash the fat edge. Use instant meat tenderizer according to label directions. Brown meat on grill, about 2 inches from hot coals, a total of 30 minutes, turning frequently. Place meat in Dutch oven or large skillet and pour Quick Bordelaise Sauce over; cover and cook *slowly* about 1 hour. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

For "rare" fans: Omit cooking in Dutch oven, and serve the roast directly after charcoaling. Pass Quick Bordelaise Sauce.

Quick Bordelaise Sauce

A real chef's creation with a canned-gravy start

- 2 carrots, chopped fine
- ¼ cup butter or margarine
- 3 tablespoons instant minced onion
- 1 3-ounce can (⅔ cup) broiled sliced mushrooms, drained
- ⅛ to ½ cup cooking claret
- 1 can beef gravy
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- ½ teaspoon monosodium glutamate

Cook carrots in butter till tender. Add onion, mushrooms, and cooking claret. Simmer uncovered about 5 minutes. Add remaining ingredients and simmer 5 minutes more.

Rolled Rib Roast, Reshan

Select a 5- to 6-pound rolled rib roast. As the roast is being rolled, have meatman spread the inside with 2 cloves garlic, crushed, and ¼ to ⅓ cup prepared horseradish. (Or do this yourself, rerolling and tying roast.) Let meat come to room temperature; balance on spit, fastening with holding forks. Rub outside of roast with a cut clove of garlic and brush with additional horseradish, using some of the liquid. Insert meat thermometer. Attach spit and turn on motor (have hot coals at back of firebox, and a drip pan under meat). Roast about 2 to 2½ hours for medium-rare or till done to your liking. Meat thermometer will register 140° for rare, 160° for medium, 170° for well-done. Let roast stand about 15 minutes to firm up before carving. Three servings per pound.

Hickory Smoked Turkey

Dusky-toned and delicious hot or cold.

Select a 10- to 12-pound ready-to-cook turkey—count on about 4½ to 5 hours total roasting time. Rinse bird; pat dry with paper towels. Make a paste of ¼ cup salad oil and ½ cup salt; rub ¼ *cup* mixture over large and wishbone cavities. Truss turkey and balance on spit or use rotary roast rack; brush with salad oil. Have slow coals at back of barbecue, a drip pan under revolving bird. For moisture, place a small pan of water at one end of firebox. Roast, hood down, and at end of first hour brush bird with **Basting Sauce:** To remaining salt paste, add 1 cup vinegar, ¼ cup pepper, and 2 teaspoons finely chopped parsley. Also toss damp hickory chips on coals. Continue roasting, hood down, basting bird every 30 minutes or so (also check on fire, hickory, and water in pan). About 20 minutes before roasting time is

up, snip cord that holds drumsticks. Test doneness by raising drumstick up and down (protect hands with paper towels). Leg should move easily or twist out of joint. Also press thick part of drumstick—meat should feel very soft. Before carving, let turkey rest 15 minutes—easier to slice.

For charcoal oven: If you have a smoke cooker without rotisserie, follow manufacturer's directions for fire, placement of bird, and timing.

Peanut-buttered Pork Loin

Roast will have a beautiful sheen, a subtle and wonderful flavor—

When you are cooking a pork roast on rotisserie and your meat thermometer reads 185° (well-done stage—no pink), brush roast with mixture of ¼ cup peanut butter and ½ cup orange juice and continue cooking and basting about 15 to 20 minutes. (Two boned pork loins totaling 5½ pounds and tied together as shown on page 72, require about 3½ hours roasting time, assuming meat is at room temperature at start of cooking.)

Apple-buttered Sweets

Here's what Vollenweider serves with his Peanut-buttered Pork Loin. Our comment: "Yum!"—

For each serving, place several lengthwise slices of cooked or canned sweet potatoes on a 6-inch square of foil. Season with salt and pepper. Spread about a tablespoon of apple butter over potato slices and sprinkle with a teaspoon of brown sugar. Dash lightly with cinnamon and dot with 2 teaspoons butter or margarine per serving. Seal foil and heat on grill, apple-butter side up, 25 to 30 minutes.

Chili and Hot Leg of Lamb

Recipe name means what it says. Mighty good, but not for the "milk-toast" crowd—

1 6-pound leg of lamb, boned and flattened

Marinade:

1 cup salad oil
¼ cup wine vinegar
1 tablespoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
¼ teaspoon garlic powder

Hot Sauce:

2 cups chopped onions
2½ cups chili sauce
½ cup lemon juice
⅓ cup salad oil
1 tablespoon brown sugar
2 tablespoons vinegar
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon dry mustard
¼ teaspoon garlic powder
1 teaspoon minced canned green chiles
2 teaspoons Tabasco sauce
1 bay leaf, crushed

Marinate lamb in mixture of first 5 ingredients 2 hours at room temperature, spooning Marinade over now and then. For Hot Sauce, combine remaining ingredients and simmer 20 minutes. Place meat flat on grill and roast about 2 hours, turning every 15 minutes and basting well with the Hot Sauce. Don't overcook lamb. Slice across the grain. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

Lamb Shanks, Armenian-Italian

Plenty of tang to complement lamb—

1 cup tomato juice
½ cup lemon juice
½ cup dill-pickle juice
1 large onion, finely chopped
1 green pepper, finely chopped
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon coarse-cracked pepper
1 teaspoon cumin
1 teaspoon marjoram
6 meaty lamb shanks

For marinade, combine first 9 ingredients; pour over shanks in deep bowl and let stand 4 hours. Salt the meat. Grill over slow coals, brushing with marinade and turning occasionally, about 1 hour or till tender—don't overcook lamb. Heat remaining marinade; serve as a relish. Makes 6 servings.

Easy Pickin's

Sauce thickens as it cooks on the ribs, gives high shine, Polynesian flavor—

2 tablespoons cornstarch
⅔ cup brown sugar
⅔ cup soy sauce
6 tablespoons *finely* chopped candied ginger
2 cloves garlic, crushed
¼ cup vinegar
4 pounds meaty spareribs, sawed in 2 strips, each 3 inches wide

For sauce, mix first 6 ingredients—best flavor if sauce stands overnight. Salt and pepper ribs; lace in accordion style on spit, using holding forks. Arrange hot coals at back of coals and under ribs. Let ribs rotate over *slow* coals 1 hour or till meat is well-done (no pink when snipped between bones). Last 20 minutes, baste well with the sauce. Makes 4 servings.

Gosh and Golly Relish

Yep, it's hot! –

2 medium tomatoes, finely chopped and drained well
1 medium onion, finely chopped
1 small green pepper, finely chopped
3 or 4 small hot pickled Italian peppers, chopped (about 1 tablespoon)
2 tablespoons sugar
½ teaspoon mustard seed
½ teaspoon celery seed
½ teaspoon salt
¼ cup white vinegar

Mix all ingredients except vinegar; cover with vinegar. Chill several hours. Makes 2 cups.

Sparkling Grilled Ham

This blond glaze shows off ham's rosy color, adds spice—

1 1-inch fully cooked ham slice (about 1½ pounds)
1 cup sparkling Catawba grape juice (white)
1 cup orange juice
½ cup brown sugar
3 tablespoons salad oil
1 tablespoon wine vinegar
2 teaspoons dry mustard
¾ teaspoons ginger
¼ to ½ teaspoon cloves

Slash the fat edge of ham. Combine remaining ingredients; pour over

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ham in shallow baking dish. Refrigerate overnight or let stand at room temperature 2 hours, spooning marinade over several times. Broil ham slice over slow coals, about 15 minutes on each side, brushing frequently with the marinade. Heat remaining marinade to pass. Makes 5 servings.

Patio Fiesta Dinner

Corn chips add crunch to a Mexican stew

- ½ cup finely chopped onion
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 10-ounce can (1¼ cups) tomato puree
- ½ cup water
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1 to 2 tablespoons chili powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon oregano
- ¼ teaspoon cumin

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- 1 pound boneless lean beef chuck or beef stew meat, cut in 1-inch cubes
- 1 12-ounce can (1½ cups) whole kernel corn, drained
- 1 10-ounce package frozen baby Limas
- 1 medium onion, sliced and separated in rings
- 1 medium green pepper, sliced in rings

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- 1 cup shredded sharp process American cheese
- ¼ cup finely chopped onion
- 1 6-ounce package corn chips

Cook ½ cup chopped onion and the garlic in hot oil till tender, add tomato, water, flour, and seasonings; simmer 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Tear off four 12-inch lengths of 18-inch-wide foil. On each, place one-fourth of the meat, top with vegetables. Drizzle each serving with about ½ cup sauce. Bring edges of foil up, and leaving room for expansion of steam, seal well with double fold. Place packets on grill and cook over the coals till meat is tender about 1½ hours, turning once. When serving, cut a big crisscross in top of packets and fold foil back. Sprinkle each dinner with cheese, chopped onion, and corn chips. Makes 4 servings.

Barbecue Sauce, Alaman

Mellow and beautiful! Does great things for burgers, chicken, pork. Use it to glaze kabobs of canned luncheon meat, too—

- ¼ cup chopped onion
- 2 tablespoons salad oil
- 2 cups catsup
- ⅓ cup honey
- ¼ cup Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tablespoon prepared horseradish mustard
- ½ teaspoon liquid smoke
- 1 teaspoon vinegar
- ¼ teaspoon garlic salt
- ¼ teaspoon coarse-cracked pepper
- ¼ teaspoon crushed rosemary
- ¼ teaspoon crushed thyme
- ¼ teaspoon crushed oregano
- ¼ teaspoon crushed savory
- 2 drops Tabasco sauce

Cook onion in hot oil till tender, but not brown. Add remaining ingredients. Simmer uncovered 10 to 15 minutes. As a basting sauce, use only last half hour of cooking. Makes 2¾ cups.

Swank Porterhouse Steak

Each slice of nice pink steak has a crunchy band of white onion in the center. Sensational!

- 1 2½- to 3-pound Porterhouse or sirloin steak, about 2 inches thick

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- ¾ cup finely chopped Bermuda onion
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 3 tablespoons cooking claret
- 2 tablespoons soy sauce

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- ¼ cup butter or margarine
- 1 3-ounce can (⅔ cup) broiled sliced mushrooms, drained

Slash fat edge of steak—don't cut into meat. Slitting from fat side, cut pocket in each side of lean, cutting *almost* to bone. Combine onion and garlic, seasoning with a dash of salt, pepper, and celery salt. Mix cooking claret and soy sauce; brush on steak. Grill over hot coals a total of 25 minutes or till done to your liking, turning once—brush occasionally with soy mixture. Heat butter and mushrooms, pour over steak. Slice across grain and serve sizzling! Makes 4 servings.

Chicken Broilercue

The jelly glaze is superb! Recipe is from retired Air Force Lt. Col. Ralph H. Lane, Minneapolis, Minnesota, who serves it with a tossed salad sprinkled with crushed rounds of Melba toast and bits of anchovy—

- ¼ cup salad oil
- ¼ cup cooking sauterne
- ¼ cup chicken broth
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons apple jelly
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon monosodium glutamate
- 1 teaspoon snipped parsley
- ½ teaspoon prepared mustard
- ½ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- Dash *each* celery seed, rosemary, and pepper
- 2 ready-to-cook broilers (2 to 2½ pounds each), halved lengthwise

Combine all ingredients except chicken; beat out lumps of jelly with rotary beater. Brush chicken with the sauce and place bone side down on grill. Broil over slow coals, turning occasionally and basting frequently, about 1 hour or till meat is tender and skin is crisp and dark. Makes 4 servings.

Barbecue Beans

Vienna sausage bakes in middle. Crusty topping of brown sugar is extra reward for bean lovers who like 'em sweet. Idea of P. L. Banks, Sr., Osborne, Kansas—

- 3 stalks celery or ½ cup chopped
- 2 No. 2½ cans (7 cups) pork and beans with tomato sauce
- 2 4-ounce cans Vienna sausage, drained, or 1 12-ounce can luncheon meat, cut in strips
- 1 cup brown sugar

Lay celery in bottom of 2½-quart casserole. Pour in *1 can* beans. Arrange sausage links on top and cover with second can of beans. Sprinkle with brown sugar. Bake on grill, hood down, 2 to 3 hours. Makes 8 servings.

Hot Fresh Mint Sauce

Delightful with lamb, it was concocted by Curt Vocom, Charlton, Iowa—

- 2 tablespoons sugar
- ½ cup water
- ¼ cup vinegar
- 1 10-ounce jar (about 1 cup) mint jelly
- ½ cup chopped fresh mint leaves
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice

Combine sugar, water, and vinegar; simmer 5 minutes. Add jelly; beat with rotary beater until blended. Stir in mint and lemon juice. Serve hot with lamb. Makes 1½ cups.

Hobologna Bunwiches

Bachelor barbecue chef James Antoline, Aliquippa, Pennsylvania, gives Bologna a new twist. With long-handled fork, you can cook over fire just as you would for hot dogs—

For each sandwich: Alternate 2 half-slices sharp process American cheese and 2 slices big Bologna, centering cheese on meat each time. Roll up tightly and wrap with slice of bacon; anchor with toothpick. Push 2 skewers through roll-up of cheese and meat—you can slip several rolls-ups on a pair of skewers. Grill over coals till bacon is cooked and roll-ups hot through (7 to 10 minutes), turning once. Remove toothpicks and skewers and slip roll-ups into buns. Pass catsup and prepared mustard.

Texas Trail Cakes

A family joke prompted Robert R. Pomeroy of Houston to come up with these unusual hot cakes. Easy, they're dandy for campers or Boy Scouts—

- 1 cup packaged biscuit mix
- 1 6-ounce can (⅔ cup) evaporated milk
- ½ 1-pound can (about ¾ cup) canned beans with chili gravy

To biscuit mix, add evaporated milk. Beat smooth with electric or rotary beater. Stir in beans with gravy. Bake on a hot, *well-greased* griddle or in skillet. Turn cakes when bubbles on surface break. Makes eight 4-inch cakes. Serve with pitcher of melted butter or margarine. (Season butter with chili powder, if desired.)

Ham Barbecue

We agree with the prize winner, Leo G. Levens, Whittier, California, that this sauce enhances the good ham flavor—

- ¾ cup catsup
- 3 tablespoons brown sugar
- 1 to 2 tablespoons Dijon-style mustard
- 2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 2 teaspoons chili powder
- 2 ½-inch slices fully cooked ham (about 1½ pounds)

Combine first 6 ingredients for sauce. Slash fat edge of ham at 2-inch intervals. Brush meat liberally with sauce and let stand 1 hour. Grill over coals 5 to 6 minutes per

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side, turning once and brushing with sauce. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Orange-glazed Ham 'n Pineapple

Cooking sherry and fines herbes give heavenly aroma. The ingenious cook is Clayton A. Rotthaus, Phoenix—

¼ cup frozen orange-juice concentrate
¼ cup cooking sherry
1 teaspoon dry mustard
¼ teaspoon *fines herbes*

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1 1-inch slice fully cooked ham (about 1½ pounds)
4 to 6 canned pineapple slices

Combine first 4 ingredients for sauce; brush on ham. Grill over hot coals 6 to 8 minutes on each side or till browned, basting frequently. Last few minutes, grill pineapple slices 2 to 3 minutes on each side or till browned, basting frequently with sauce. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Barbecued Pork Backs

Absolutely delicious! The pineapple-chili-sauce glaze is almost like tomato preserves. Sweet-sour rib fans can thank Albert S. Warren, Charlotte, North Carolina—

3 pounds meaty pork backbones or ribs, cut in serving pieces

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1 cup chili sauce
1 12-ounce jar (1 cup) pineapple preserves
⅓ cup vinegar

Sprinkle meat with salt and broil bone side down on grill over slow coals about 20 minutes. Now turn and let brown (about 8 minutes). Turn meaty side up again and broil about 20 minutes longer. Combine remaining ingredients; brush on meat and continue broiling without turning 20 to 30 minutes or till done (no pink), basting occasionally with sauce. To glaze, baste both sides of pork and grill 3 or 4 minutes per side. Makes 3 or 4 servings.

Salt Broiled Steak

Tom and Mike Berkley of Homewood, Illinois, are proud of Dad's achievements. This very special sandwich always brought a chorus of compliments for the chef, Tom, Sr.—

3 pounds (7½ cups) coarse-medium salt
2 pounds beef tenderloin (in one piece)

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1 cup butter or margarine
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 loaf French bread, cut in ½-inch slices and toasted on one side

Mix just enough water (about 2¼ cups) with the salt to make it like damp sand. In wire toaster basket, place a double thickness of paper towels, about the size of the meat. Pat out half the salt on the towels; top with meat. Completely cover meat with remaining salt, coating evenly—this keeps juices in. Now cover with double thickness paper towels, overlapping edges (don't worry, only the towel edges will burn). Close toaster basket. Grill close to *hot* coals 12 to 15 minutes per side. Remove hard crust of salt, scraping off any that clings. Melt butter in skillet; add garlic. Dip untoasted side of bread in garlic butter and top with thin-sliced meat. Makes 8 servings.

Note: The Berkleys carve the tenderloin in the skillet of garlic butter so the good beef juices blend in. And if there are any "well-done-ers," their meat slices are simmered a few minutes in this sauce.

El Paso Beans

Nice for an indoor stag party, too. Offer hot corn bread with this peppery bean soup of El Paso's William C. Murphy—

1 pound (about 2⅔ cups) dry pinto beans

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1 pound lean beef stew meat, cut in ½-inch cubes
1 teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon monosodium glutamate
½ teaspoon crushed oregano
4 ounces salt pork, diced
1 cup chopped onion
2 8-ounce cans (2 cups) seasoned tomato sauce
3 cloves garlic, minced
1 to 3 teaspoons finely minced hot pickled peppers

Rinse beans; drain. Add 6 cups cold water; cover and bring to boiling. Reduce heat and simmer 1½ hours. Add meat and remaining ingredients. Cover and simmer about 1½ hours, stirring occasionally—beans should have burst, giving soup a nice consistency. Salt to taste. Serve in soup bowls. Makes 8 servings.

Spicy Pork Sandwiches

Great way to feed the crowd, as Jackson M. Ammons, Lemon Grove, California, will testify—

1 12-ounce bottle (1¼ cups) extra-hot catsup
½ cup finely chopped onion
⅓ cup finely chopped green pepper
1 tablespoon brown sugar
1 tablespoon mixed pickling spice
1 teaspoon salt
1½ teaspoons dry mustard
Dash Tabasco sauce

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3 to 4 cups shredded cooked fresh pork (2 to 2½ pounds before roasting)
10 to 12 hamburger buns, toasted and buttered

Combine first 8 ingredients, tying pickling spice in cheesecloth bag. Cover and simmer 15 minutes. Remove spice bag and add shredded meat to sauce. Cover; simmer 10 minutes or till heated through. Serve in hot buns. Makes 10 to 12 sandwiches.

Rib-eye Roast with Herb Butter

Not a budget-stretcher but the kind of eating well worth a splurge. The compliments belong to William H. Patterson, San Marino, California—

Select a 5- to 6-pound beef rib-eye roast. Have meatman tie roast with string at 1½-inch intervals. Before cooking, let roast come to room temperature. Center meat on spit, fastening securely with holding forks. Attach spit and turn on motor (have hot coals at back of firebox and drip pan under roast). Roast over coals 2 to 2½ hours for medium-rare or till done to your liking. Meat thermometer will register 140° for rare, 160° for medium, and 170° for well-done. Let roast stand about 15 minutes to firm up before carving. Meanwhile make **Herb Butter:** Blend ½ cup soft butter or margarine with 2 teaspoons seasoned salt, 1 teaspoon *fines herbes*, ¼ teaspoon cracked pepper, and few drops Tabasco sauce. Dab a little Herb Butter (it's potent!) on each serving of meat—it will melt deliciously. Three servings per pound beef.

Luscious Cornish Hens

All the praise belongs to Warren Martin Swanson, Lincoln, Nebraska. Hunters, take note: Mr. Swanson recommends this recipe for grouse and quail, too—

4 1-pound Rock Cornish hens, thawed

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1 cup finely chopped California walnuts, or roasted or boiled Italian chestnuts
¼ cup olive oil
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon celery salt
1 teaspoon poultry seasoning
½ teaspoon rosemary

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½ cup butter or margarine, melted
Salt and freshly ground pepper

Rinse birds; pat dry with paper towels. Combine next 6 ingredients; rub *half* of mixture inside birds. Truss birds; mount on spit, securing with holding forks. Rub birds with remaining nut mixture; let stand 15 minutes. Roast over coals 1 to 1¼ hours or till tender—after 15 minutes, brush now and then with butter. Sprinkle with salt and grind pepper over; continue cooking 10 minutes. Makes 4 servings.

Camp Stew

Elegant stew with real he-man flavor! The originator, Oliver M. Thomsen, Neenah, Wisconsin, warns this is rich stuff—you can expect 35 miles to the gallon—

2 pounds boneless lean beef chuck or beef stew meat, cut in 1½-inch cubes

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3 cups water
½ cup cooking sherry
1 6-ounce can (⅔ cup) tomato paste
1 tablespoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
2 bay leaves
2 onions, quartered

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6 carrots, cut in eighths
4 potatoes, pared and quartered
1 1-pound can (2 cups) green Limas, drained
1 8-ounce can (1 cup) whole kernel corn, drained

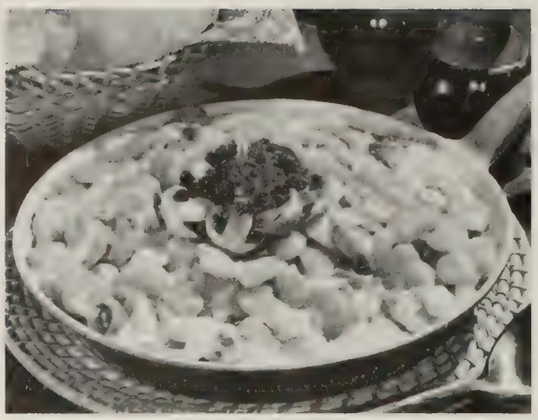
Brown meat in small amount hot fat. Add water and next 7 ingredients; cover and simmer about 1¼ hours. Add carrots and potatoes; cook 30 minutes longer or till tender. Add Limas and corn; heat through. Makes 6 to 8 servings.



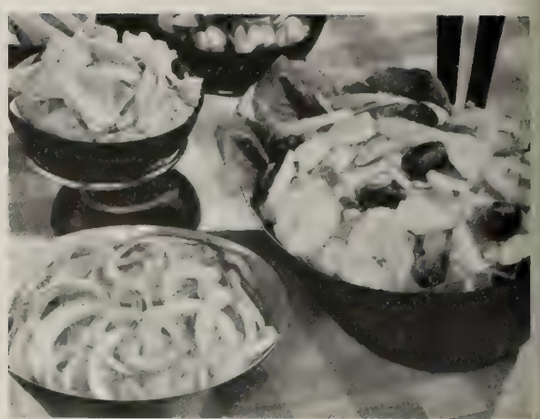
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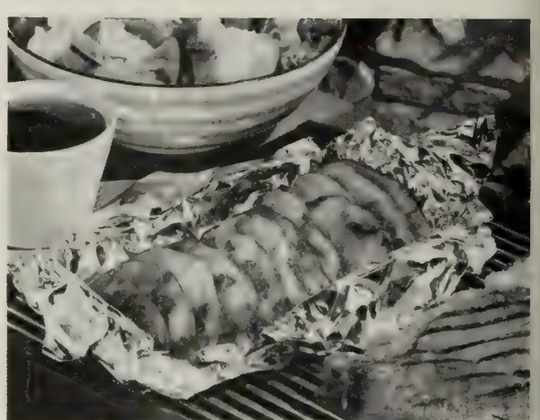
Pink Beans Supreme—Limas in sour cream tinted with paprika—is from V. Thomas Sullivan. This Californian learned barbecuing from friends, now says it's part of "the good life."



Onions First was originated by Minnesota chef Sheldon Kaplan, while on a hunting trip in Canada. Carlton Wheeler's Go-with-the-Roast Potato Salad got its start in Puerto Rico.

Outdoor vegetables and salads

Vegetables never tasted so good! That's what the creators of these recipes prove true. Some call for cooking over hot coals, others suggest chilling vegetables in intriguing salad and dressing combinations.



Orange Dressing, invented by Walter W. Smith, Sioux City, Iowa, can do double duty. Dash it on your steak as it comes sizzling from the grill—or toss it with your favorite salad.

E. H. Hawthorne, Akron, Ohio, uses celery salt to flavor his Foiled Potatoes with Parmesan.

Photographs: Scott



Mixed Emotions Salad is what Don DeGraf is shown concocting in his California home.

"When people hear the ingredients, they have doubts and qualms," he says; "but there's never any left in the bowl!" This salad tosses together tuna and anchovies, ripe olives, and sesame seed.

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Pink Beans Supreme

If you like, you can soak the beans the night before, then finish on the grill—

1 pound (2½ cups) large dry Limas
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2 cups chopped onions
¼ cup butter or margarine
½ cup sliced mushrooms
2 tablespoons paprika
2 cups dairy sour cream
1 teaspoon salt

Rinse Limas, then cover with 6 cups cold water and bring to boiling. Simmer 2 minutes and remove from heat. Cover and let stand 1 hour. Add 2 teaspoons salt to beans (don't drain); bring to boiling, reduce heat, cover and simmer 45 to 60 minutes or till tender. Drain.

Cook onions in butter till tender. Add mushrooms and paprika; cook 5 minutes longer. Stir in beans, sour cream, and salt; heat through, stirring now and then. Garnish with parsley. Makes 12 servings.

Onions First

Lemon tempers onion flavor in this tangy relish. Try with fish, hamburgers, pork chops—

3 large red onions, sliced paper-thin
1 lemon, sliced paper-thin
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½ cup salad or olive oil
¼ cup vinegar
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 teaspoon savory
½ teaspoon salt

Layer onion and lemon slices in bowl, ending with a few lemon slices. Combine remaining ingredients; pour over. Chill 8 hours or overnight, basting occasionally with dressing. Drain; serve as a relish—or a before-dinner appetizer with thin slices of tiny "ice-box" rye for make-your-own sandwiches. Makes about 2 cups.

Go-with-the-Roast Potato Salad

A delicious "Continental" flavor—

5 medium potatoes, cooked and sliced (about 5 cups)
2 cups drained cooked cut green beans
1 8-ounce can (1 cup) tiny whole beets, drained
½ cup sliced celery
½ cup sliced green onions
½ cup sliced radishes
1 teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
1 cup chilled Horseradish Dressing

Chill vegetables thoroughly (cut larger beets in half). Combine, and season with salt and pepper. Just before serving, toss with 1 cup Horseradish Dressing. Makes 8 servings.

Horseradish Dressing: Blend ½ cup mayonnaise or salad dressing, ¼ cup sour cream, and 3 tablespoons horseradish. Add 1 cup clear French dressing, stirring till smooth. Chill. Makes 1¾ cups.

Orange Dressing

You'll be surprised by this recipe's grand flavor and sparkle—

½ cup catsup
½ cup salad oil
2 tablespoons brown sugar
2 tablespoons vinegar
1½ tablespoons prepared mustard
1½ teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
½ teaspoon salt
1 small clove garlic, minced
½ medium orange, unpeeled, cut in paper-thin slices and quartered

Combine all ingredients except orange in a quart jar. Cover and shake well. Add orange slices; cover and chill overnight. Serve with green salad. Makes about 2 cups.

Foiled Potatoes with Parmesan

Dice or slice these spuds—there's a flavorful brown crunch either way—

Scrub 3 large baking potatoes (do not pare). Cut each into ¼-inch lengthwise slices. Spread out on a 20-inch length of 18-inch-wide foil. Dash liberally with onion salt, celery salt, and freshly ground black pepper. Sprinkle with ⅓ cup grated Parmesan cheese. Now overlap potato slices and dot with ⅓ cup butter or margarine. Bring edges of foil together and leaving a little space for expansion of steam, seal well with double fold. Place on grill and cook over coals 30 to 45 minutes or till done, turning package several times. Makes 4 servings.

Mixed Emotions Salad

Bet it's the most Italian-tasting salad you've ever eaten—

1 tablespoon olive oil
Dash garlic powder
2 tablespoons sesame seed
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1 large head lettuce, torn in bite-size pieces
1 6½- or 7-ounce can tuna, flaked
1 4-ounce jar antipasto
1 cup pitted ripe olives
1 2-ounce can anchovies, cut in ½-inch pieces
2 medium tomatoes, cut up
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¼ cup olive oil
2 tablespoons wine vinegar

Combine 1 tablespoon olive oil with garlic powder in small skillet; add sesame seed. Heat and stir till lightly brown. Place next 6 ingredients in large bowl, and toss with ¼ cup olive oil and the vinegar. Sprinkle with sesame seed. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Blue-cheese Dressing

A fluffy salad topping that could double as a chip dip. From John Tomlinson, Lincoln, Nebraska—

2 cups mayonnaise or salad dressing
6 ounces blue cheese, crumbled (about 1½ cups)
¼ cup lemon juice
2 teaspoons grated onion
½ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce



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1 clove garlic, minced
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Combine first 7 ingredients; chill. Beat evaporated milk till soft peaks form. Fold into cheese mixture. Serve with green salad. (Chill leftover dressing—stir well before serving.) Makes about 4 cups.

Eggplant Heroes

Pair up your vegetables and bread in one savory Italian-style dish, from Philip Candella, Rossford, Ohio—

For six servings dip six ½-inch slices of unpared eggplant in ½ cup olive oil. Grill close to hot coals till brown and tender. Sandwich each slice in a split French or hero roll.* Top eggplant with *thin* slices Mozzarella cheese, drizzle with spaghetti sauce (canned or your own recipe—about 1 cup for 6 sandwiches), and sprinkle with shredded Parmesan cheese. Butter roll on outside, and wrap in foil. Heat on grill.

*For a jumbo sandwich, place eggplant slices between halves of a long loaf of Italian bread; slice.

Encore Salad

"Men always ask for several helpings, women for the recipe," writes Walter Schwidetzky, a San Diego engineer—

1 1-pound can (2 cups) cut green beans, drained
1 1-pound can (2 cups) cut yellow wax beans, drained
1 1-pound can (2 cups) red kidney beans, drained
1 1-pound can (2 cups) shelly beans, drained
1 medium green pepper, thinly sliced in rings
1 medium onion, sliced and separated in rings

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½ cup sugar
½ cup salad oil
½ cup wine vinegar
½ teaspoon salt

Combine vegetables. Mix remaining ingredients; add to vegetables, tossing to mix. Cover, marinate several hours or overnight, stirring several times. Before serving, stir, then drain. Makes 12 servings.

Luau Beans

"We keep these beans hot on the fireplace while broiling big, juicy hamburgers," says Larry Johnson, Salt Lake City—

½ pound sliced bacon
2 onions, sliced
4 1-pound cans (8 cups) pork and beans
1 9-ounce can (1 cup) crushed pineapple
¼ cup chili sauce
2 tablespoons molasses
1½ teaspoons dry mustard
½ teaspoon salt

Fry bacon till crisp; remove from skillet, reserving bacon drippings. Cook onions in bacon drippings. Crumble bacon and combine in Dutch oven with onions and remaining ingredients. Cover and bake on grill over medium hot coals 1½ hours. Then remove cover and cook about 25 minutes longer. Stir occasionally. Makes 10 to 12 servings.



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If you want color in a hurry, go heavily to annuals. Try some of the newer originations, such as zinnia Old Mexico with its fine bronzy-orange flowers and tough, mildew-resistant foliage. Rosie O'Day sweet alyssum, an improved pink form, is another easy one. For bold masses of color, use tetraploid zinnia State Fair which has huge dahlia-flowered blooms in all colors and is hard to beat for fall display. Started plants are available in nurseries, or you can still plant seed for effects 90 days from now.

If you are looking for something more permanent, choose perennials such as the old-fashioned feathery asparagus fern which drapes so gracefully. Ivy geraniums—there are many colors on the market now—do very well in containers. Heavy-blooming floribunda roses are another good choice. Marguerites are dependable old stand-bys. Besides familiar white and yellow forms, consider the new Pink Champagne. I brought this back from an Australian garden tour, shared it, and now it's quite common in California trade.

Is it absolutely necessary to prune climbing roses this month? Mrs. M.G., Bellingham, Washington

For continued good flowering through the years—yes. If climbers have not been pruned for many years, the quality and number of blooms dwindle.

While in Italy last summer, we saw bougainvillea used as a ground cover on banks. Could we use it in our climate for this purpose? B.K., Scottsdale, Arizona

Bougainvillea revels in your warm climate and will grow well as a ground cover. It's a real sun lover, but some afternoon shade keeps the blooms from fading. The most spectacular variety for your region is Barbara Karst, which is smothered with cherry-red blossoms. Another good plant in the bank-cover category is lantana. It is used for covering slopes in many sections of the Hawaiian Islands.

Could you tell me how to grow the ornamental fountain-grass and how to prepare the spikes for use in flower arrangements? Mrs. F.B.T., Bend, Oregon

Of all the many ornamental grasses available, fountain-grass (*Pennisetum ruppelii*) is one that is both useful and easy to grow. The round, 2-foot clumps are topped in summer with shining, coppery-purple flower spikes—ideal for flower arrangements, especially when dried. Foliage dies down in wintertime in cold areas such as yours, but new growth bounces back quickly in the spring. In mild climates, the foliage is evergreen. The ornamental spikes should be dried carefully. Cut them just before they're full blown and hang them in bunches upside down in a cool, airy place for a couple of weeks until thoroughly dry.

We want to grow tubbed trees on our roof deck, but are concerned with their weight. Can you tell us about lightweight U.C. soil mixes? R.H., San Francisco, California

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Are crushed volcanic cinders a good mulch for roses? Our soaring summer temperatures are rough on these flowers. F.P., Las Vegas, Nevada

My old friend, John H. van Barneveld, director of the Rose Hills Memorial Park Cemetery at Whittier, California, says he couldn't get along without this neat red mulch. The park is the site of one of the official test gardens of the American Rose Society and contains close to 5,000 wonderful rose plants. Mr. van Barneveld uses a one-inch layer of crushed red cinders. His experience has proved the ¼- to ½-inch size to be the best for keeping the soil beneath it both cool and moist.

On my last trip to Golden Gate Park in San Francisco, I saw a beautiful pink-flowered tree called the Persian silk-tree. Would it thrive this far north? K.F.E., Salem, Oregon

I know of several specimens at the Ballard Locks in Seattle, as well as one growing on the University of Utah campus in Salt Lake City. Though they prefer a hotter, drier climate, I believe you can succeed with it.

Their habit is generally graceful. When the trees are mature, they assume a vase-shaped appearance, but if they're subject to any wind at all, chances are the branches will grow horizontally and form an interesting fernlike canopy. Soft puffs of pink- to apricot-colored blossoms in June, July, and August make this a real traffic stopper. To be sure of getting the tree you want, request it by its botanical name, *Albizzia julibrissin.*

I'm not exactly a lazy gardener, but I am interested in annuals which reseed themselves. Any suggestions? Mrs. G.A.H., Idaho Falls, Idaho

The trick is not to disturb the soil beneath plants once seed pods form. Calendulas, Virginian stock, larkspurs, and Shirley poppies, just to name four, come up again. Strains "run out" in a few seasons and flowers get smaller and colors often fade. I'd suggest, for the few cents involved, sowing new, improved varieties each season.

Would you name three good plants for slope control—ones that root as they spread? A.C.P., Modesto, California

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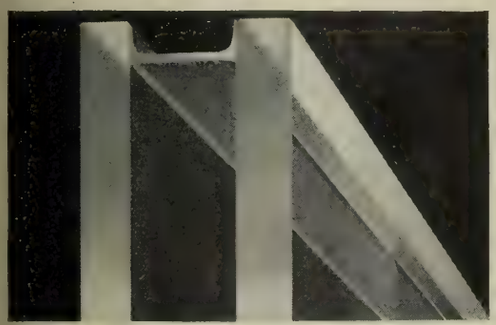
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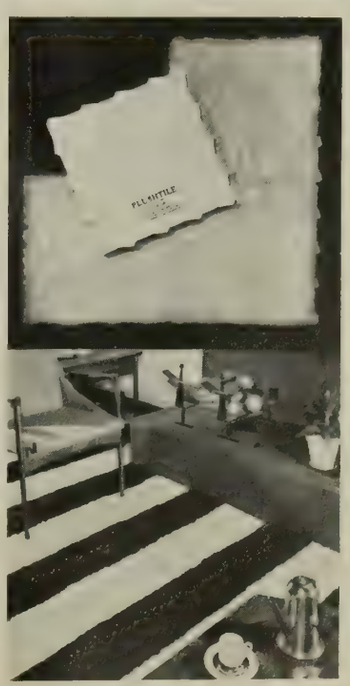
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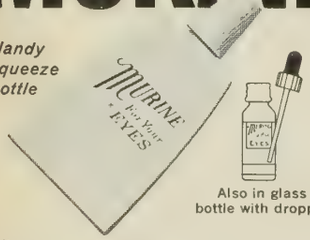
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days, afternoon tours on Sunday; free) —to Lexington and Concord.

The Battleground at Lexington, really the city's Common, is a relatively small grass triangle, not physically imposing. But this is where it started. As 400 British troops marched into view, 75 Minute Men assembled on the green and listened to their captain, John Parker. His words are inscribed on a boulder there: "Stand your ground. Don't fire unless fired upon; but if they mean to have a war, let it begin here." Eight of the Minute Men who fell there shortly afterward lie buried at the Old Monument, at the west end of the Common.

Up the street, at the Hancock-Clarke House, John Hancock and Sam Adams had been wakened late the previous night by the knocking of Paul Revere. A few hours later, at Buckman Tavern, across from the village green, the militiamen had gathered to see what history had in store. By afternoon, the British had set up a temporary hospital in near-by Munroe Tavern.

All three buildings are much the same as they were on that fateful morning. Powder horns hang in Buckman Tavern, and bullet holes puncture its door. (*Each building is open Monday-Saturday 10-5, Sunday 1-5; 40 cents, 10 cents.*)

Concord, the scene of that day's second battle, later acquired a reputation as the home of great literature. Emerson, Hawthorne, Thoreau, the Alcotts—all once lived and wrote here; and their houses, too, remain largely unchanged. Overlooking historic North Bridge and the famous Minute Man statue, where "the shot heard round the world" was fired, stands one of Hawthorne's homes, the Old Manse (*Monday-Saturday 10-5, Sunday 1-5; 50 cents, 20 cents*). Past Concord Square on Lexington Road, a half mile beyond Emerson's house (*Tuesday-Saturday 10-11 and 1:30-5:30, Sunday 2:30-5:30; 35 cents, 15 cents*), are Orchard House (*Monday-Saturday 10-5, Sunday 2-6; 50 cents, 20 cents*) and the Wayside (*by appointment; 50 cents, 30 cents*). In the latter, Louisa May Alcott grew up; in the former, she wrote *Little Women*. Across the street from Emerson's home is Antiquarian House, a repository of literary and early war mementos (*Monday-Saturday 10-5, Sunday 2-5; 50 cents, 20 cents*). Included among its 17 rooms, all furnished with antiques, are a replica of Emerson's study, a Thoreau room, and a diorama of the Battle of Concord.

Of course, the most famous writer's home—Thoreau's small hut at Walden Pond—vanished many years ago into immortality. The pond has since been taken over by fishermen and swimmers. But a man could still make his peace with nature there. Like Thoreau, he could watch the breeze on the water, "quick as a kitten playing with dead leaves," and sit beneath the arrowy pines to see a bluebird carry the sky on its back. In time, he might even come to concur with Thoreau's odd theory on honor: that the most distinguished epaulet a man can ever wear is when a sparrow alights on his shoulder.

Up the coast to Bar Harbor (2 days)

This summer, most of the Heritage Trail—and next summer, all of it—will be marked by road signs that carry the emblem printed at the top of this article. From Boston, they go north on U.S. 1 and 1A, with occasional digressions on by-roads nearer the coast. This choice of a shore route is appropriate, for the ocean is a dominant force in New England. Driving north, you first see its influence in Marblehead, then in Salem.

For a long time during the 18th century, Salem was a major American port, made rich by the China trade, and stately homes of that period still stand on Chestnut Street. Near the harbor, three additional old structures compose the Salem Maritime National Historic Site: Derby Wharf, a base for privateering and later for the China and East India trade; Derby House (*daily 9-5; 25 cents, free*), the oldest brick house in Salem; and Custom House (*daily 9-5; free*), where Nathaniel Hawthorne once worked. Hawthorne was born just a short walk away, not far from the House of the Seven Gables (*daily 10-5; $1.25, 35 cents*), named from his famous novel.

Gloucester, at the southern end of Cape Ann, also takes its living from the sea, but by fishing rather than commerce. And the sea has exacted its price: a reported 10,000 fishermen who, since the city's settlement in 1623, have left port without returning. A statue to their memory now stands near the harbor.

Also in Gloucester, you can pick up a map of the scenic Cape Ann Trail, a road that circles this small jut of land within a few feet of the water. Here and there, a sandy beach decorates the shore, but more typical are the high thrusts of rock dressed in fancy ruffles of seafoam. There is no need to ask why dozens of artists flock here every summer setting up their colonies among a cluster of historic houses.

New Hampshire's seacoast, 18 miles long, is dominated by Hampton Beach, a broad and lovely stretch of sand that includes a large state park. An hour or so spent swimming in its surf can refresh families weary from travel.

Then the Heritage Trail enters Maine, with its "stern and rock-bound coast." If there exists such a thing as visual crescendo, the sea road north from Kittery supplies a good example of it as it mounts from York Village to Bald Head Cliff to Ogunquit, Wells Beach, and, ultimately, Kennebunkport, Cape Porpoise, and Goose Rocks Beach, clustered on Cape Arundel.

By the time they reach the outskirts of Portland, most tourists are exhausted from looking at seascapes, and start looking instead for a lobster dinner and lodgings for the night. The lobster is easily come by, but for those who haven't made reservations, lodgings sometimes aren't. This always poses a problem. On the one hand, a trip can become too rigid if you plan it all weeks in advance. On the other hand, if you wait too long—and many motels are filled by noon—you might have to sleep in your car. Perhaps the most serviceable compromise is to plot your route day by day, deciding each morning where you'll want to spend that night, then wiring or phoning ahead. (Some motel and hotel chains will do this wiring for you.) Throughout New England, accommodations are consistently clean and attractive, and you'll rarely get stuck with something distasteful.

In the morning, any young sailors traveling in your car will probably persuade you to stop in Portland, or beyond that at Boothbay Harbor, for a boat ride on the ocean. Leaving from Portland's Custom House Wharf, there are daylight tours (*at 10 and 2*), a sunset cruise (*at 5:30*), and a moonlight ride on the bay (*at 9*). Each trip takes from two to three hours (*$2-$4, $1.20-$3*). From Boothbay Harbor, there are 40 excursions daily, one a tour to Monhegan Island, 10 miles off the coast. A round trip occupies six and a half hours, three of them spent on the island (*from Pier 5 daily at 10, Sunday at 11, June 24-September 10; $6, $3, children under 5 free*). At Wiscasset, on the road to Boothbay Harbor, you'll see the hulks of two cargo ships, the *Hesper* and the *Luther Little*, lying grounded at the picturesque wharf, rotting ghosts of an earlier day when this was one of Maine's chief seaports. Reputedly, the two old schooners are the state's most photographed objects.

But New England has a number of scenic old seaports, many fine beaches, hundreds of mountains, dozens of rebuilt shrines. Its National Park—Acadia, on Maine's Mount Desert Island—is the only one of its kind. Frequently, tourists arrive at Bar Harbor, the gateway to the park, seeking directions to the roller coasters and the cages where camels are kept. This is urban confusion. Acadia Park isn't like Coney Island, and neither is it a zoo. Its charms have a softer appeal: wildlife roaming unmolested through the trees of Cadillac Mountain; granite peaks, festooned in season with 500 species of flowers; pounding surf and quiet coves backed by nature trails and camp sites. Some families find it

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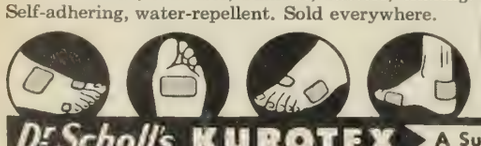
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We were standing up there in the dark one morning, waiting to be the first family in the country to see the sun that day, when two deer—a doe and a wobbly fawn—deciding to share the distinction, wandered out of the woods to join us just as the light hit the water. Not an arm's length apart, we stood for five minutes watching the ocean catch fire—the deer, who saw it every day, no less impressed than we were. An old Yankee farmer had made the climb with us, and someone said in open envy that it must be a privilege to live in a place where a man can rest his eyes on such beauty and his hand on the neck of a fawn. "Ayeh," he conceded. "Guess you could say that God thinks highly of us."

Westward to Lake Champlain (2-3 days)

Mark Twain once claimed to have counted 136 different kinds of weather inside of 24 hours in New England. Few visitors note so extravagant a variety, but most of them experience at least a little rain, especially in the spring and fall. For us, it began as we left Bar Harbor and continued till we reached New Hampshire. It drowned out any plans we might have had for following the side trail north to Aroostook County, where those big potatoes grow, and prevented us from testing for ourselves the fishing on Maine's inland lakes, so highly recommended.

But even viewed through a car's rainy windows, Maine is pleasant country. We passed an enjoyable afternoon just looking at scenery, counting road signs (our unofficial tabulation shows that four appear most often: "Fried Clams," "Fresh Lobsters," "Antiques," and "Honey"), making up songs of commiseration ("The Rain in Maine Falls Mainly on the Tourists"), and sharing items from the swoppers' column of a regional magazine called *Yankee* ("Will construct 1 set of artificial dentures in swop for 1928-31 Ford roadster or coupe in reasonably good condition"). Then, at Gorham, New Hampshire, the sun was waiting for us.

Gorham lies at the turnoff point for the first of three major north-south notches that cut through New Hampshire's White Mountains. Each of the notches—Pinkham, Crawford, and Franconia, taking them east to west—is blessed with first-rate attractions, and the problem is seeing them all. We solved it simply by staying an extra day, one we hadn't planned on. Other families, depending on the season, have evolved two different techniques. In the fall, they drive south through Pinkham Notch (or, alternatively, through Crawford Notch, if they want to climb Mt. Washington by railway rather than car), then west on the new Kancamagus Highway and through some of New England's most gorgeous foliage in the White Mountain National Forest, and up Franconia Notch. In other seasons, they descend Pinkham Notch, go up Crawford Notch, then dip back into Franconia Notch to see the Old Man of the Mountain.

Mt. Washington, by whatever road you get there, is the high spot of the area—quite literally, in fact, the highest spot in New England. It rises 6,288 feet into the clouds, topped by a U.S. weather station and a Summit House for tourists, where food and gifts are sold.

From Pinkham Notch, eight miles south of Gorham, you can ride to the top on the toll road. If you wish, you can drive your own car up (*car and driver $5, passengers $1 each*), but it isn't an easy job—eight winding miles on a thin gravel road, never shifting out of low gear. Or you can relax in a station wagon chauffered by an expert (*daily 8-8; $4*). A slower but more intriguing way to get there is by riding the world's first cog railway, built in 1869, from its base at the west side of the mountain, near Bretton Woods, in Crawford Notch (*hourly trips each day from July through Labor Day, daily trips at 11 and 2:15 from mid-June to July and from Labor Day to mid-October; 3-to-4-hour round-trip $4.95*).

All through the mountains, there are other conveyances—ski lifts, tramways, airborne gondolas—that rise to less lofty lookouts. In each case the ride is enjoyable, and in each case the view is superb. Among the best is the Skimobile, just outside North Conway (*daily 9-8 July through Labor Day, other times daily 9-5; $1.50, 75 cents, children under 6 free*).

Another of the state's major tourist attractions, the famous Old Man of the Mountain, stands near the top of Franconia Notch, 1,200 feet above Profile Lake. Rarely does anyone visit the state without stopping to look at the craggy old face and wondering by what strange process of nature it ever came to be carved there.

According to legend, you don't need a map to tell you when you've entered Vermont. Immediately, nature calms down. In New Hampshire, the mountains are

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high and rugged; in Vermont, they're lower and soft. Vermont is the only New England state that doesn't touch the ocean, but its hills seem to carry a nautical roll, as if the spirit of the sea had somehow moved westward and imposed its shape on the land.

Yet beneath their soft contours, Vermont's hills hold granite—just as do the Yankees who live there, "trained by bitter experience to the wisdom of suspicion," as Dr. John M. Thomas once put it. Indeed, the world's largest granite quarry is located outside Barre (*daily 8:30-5; free guided tours and exhibit hall*). Sugaring is another industry centered in Vermont, and in Barre, at Ayers and West Patterson Streets, the Maple Museum offers tours of its plant and free samples of maple candy (*Monday-Saturday 8-5, plus Sundays in July and August; free*).

The Stowe-Mount Mansfield area is New England's foremost skiing center, and in summer a haven from sweltering cities. You can drive to the summit on the toll road (*daily 8-6; $2 for cars with fewer than three people, otherwise $3*), or ride the aerial chair lift (*daily 8:30-5, June 23-October 12; $1.50, 75 cents*).

Then, after passing through Smugglers' Notch, the Heritage Trail slides down the mountain to Lake Champlain and the Shelburne Museum, seven miles south of Burlington. Here, spread over 40 acres, are three centuries of Americana, including an old country store and apothecary shop, a horseshoe barn, a covered bridge, even the last of the side-wheel steamers, the *S.S. Ticonderoga*, moored on dry land near a transplanted lighthouse. Cigar store Indians and weather vanes are displayed in the Stagecoach Inn, and in Beach Hunting Lodge, new this year, there are North American big game trophies. As a hint of how much time to allow, museum tickets are good for two days (*daily 9-5; $2.50, 50 cents*).

Shelburne to Sturbridge (2-3 days)

Families foresighted enough to carry a lunch basket with them, either as a means of saving time and money or simply because they like picnics, will find all six New England states amenable to their plan, but Vermont in particular. Sprinkled with large parks, public campgrounds, and roadside picnic tables, "every American's second state," as it likes to call itself, has apparently figured, quite reasonably, that no one who can have such scenery with his meals ever wants to eat indoors. Especially when the leaves are turning color, Vermont by itself could supply the settings for all the world's picture postcards, and travelers on the Heritage Trail bear witness to much of this grandeur.

Past Rutland—there's a second marble exhibit about six miles away (*daily 9-5; free*)—the Trail heads south on the Ethan Allen Highway, named for the leader of the Green Mountain Boys, who captured Fort Ticonderoga without the loss of a man. Then, at the foot of the state, at Bennington, where a 206-foot Battle Monument (*daily 9-5; 50 cents, 25 cents*) commemorates the decisive Revolutionary fight in which the Yankees beat Burgoyne, the Trail turns east through Green Mountain National Forest. The commander of the Yankee troops that day was General John Stark, and the road through the forest is named, for his wife, the Molly Stark Trail. Slightly beyond the forest's east boundary is the Molly Stark State Park, and past that, Hogback Mountain and its awesome splash of nature.

At Brattleboro, some tourists turn south and head for Massachusetts. Others, with more time at their disposal, keep driving east through southwest New Hampshire to the Cathedral of the Pines, near Rindge. Erected in 1946, this outdoor interdenominational shrine stands as a memorial to all America's war dead (*organ meditations daily 11-12:30 and 2-4:30*).

In Massachusetts, the first attraction is the fine old town of Deerfield. Twice wiped out by Indians, it now lays claim to America's prettiest street, quaint and lovely Old Deerfield Street, whose houses, some of them open to the public, date from the 17th and 18th centuries.

A few miles north is the starting point of the storied Mohawk Trail, which now cuts through 50,000 acres devoted to recreation: nine state forests and reservations. Its 63 miles are further recommended by the Bridge of Flowers, near Shelburne Falls, by countless summits and lookout points, and by the Natural Bridge, near North Adams.

In wintertime, the Berkshire Hills, which enfold this old Indian horse trail, are a thriving ski resort; in summer, they nurture the arts. The Berkshire Playhouse, in Stockbridge (*Monday-Saturday evenings plus Wednesday and Saturday matinees, June 25-September 15; $2-$4*), is among the best in New England, and the Berkshire Music Festival, in Lenox, is among the best in the world. The Festival is held annually at Tanglewood, the huge estate on Hawthorne Road where the Boston Symphony Orchestra makes its summer home (*symphony concerts Friday and Saturday at 8, Sunday at 2:30, July 6-August 26; $2.50-$6.50*).

From the Berkshires, the Heritage Trail goes south all the way to Norwalk, Connecticut, before returning to Old Sturbridge Village by way of Hartford and Springfield. Some families choose to save a day by driving directly to Sturbridge from Lenox on the Massachusetts Turnpike. Frequently,

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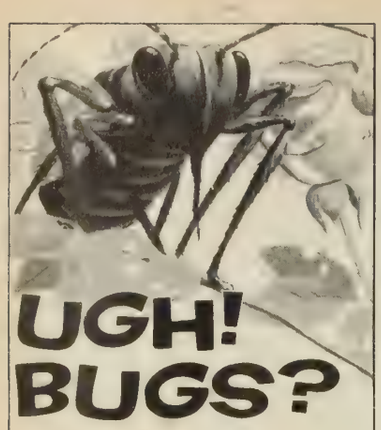
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their explanation is that New York suburbs don't really count as a genuine part of New England.

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The problem ultimately posed by Old Sturbridge, in south central Massachusetts, is how to pull yourself away. One of the world's most renowned restorations, its 200 acres hold 39 buildings laid out as a typical New England village of a century and a half ago (*daily 9:30-5:30; $2.50, $1 for children 12-17, others 60 cents*). Nothing has been overlooked. Workmen dressed in authentic costumes skillfully turn their hand to such crafts as candle-dipping, spinning, metal forging, and printing newspapers by hand. A troubadour on the village green laces the air with folk songs, while kids put their heads in the pillory to have their pictures taken, then rush off to ride the horse-pulled wagon through a covered bridge past an old grist mill. As an exercise in living history, New England has nothing better. Plan on spending the day.

The Southern Coast (2-3 days)

The fervor with which New Englanders guard the past is sometimes said to grow more intense the farther north you travel, then to wane when you drop south of Boston, where the hum of modern life gets louder. To a point, this view may be accurate, but along the southern coast, as elsewhere, pockets of history have been fiercely protected from the ravishments of time. A case in point on the Heritage Trail is the ivy-covered, fortresslike castle of William Gillette, the late actor, in East Haddam, Connecticut.

Gillette, to insure the perpetuation of this sumptuous, sprawling retirement mansion, firmly instructed his executors "to see to it that the property did not fall into the hands of some blithering saphead who has no conception of where he is or with what surrounded." And indeed his wishes prevailed. The amazing structure still exists in all its medieval splendor, and around it now is a pleasant state park, overlooking the Connecticut River. In the 24 rooms of the castle itself (*daily 11-5; 30 cents*) are rare and intricate furnishings and mementos of the actor's career, much of it spent playing Sherlock Holmes.

Farther south on the river, at Essex, nostalgic old sea captains' houses line Main Street, and east of that, straddling the Thames, are the seaport towns of New London and Groton, where the past and the present coexist.

As early as 1646, Pilgrims had settled this deep-water harbor, and during the Revolutionary War, privateers made their rendezvous here—which led the British, under Benedict Arnold, to burn both towns in 1781. After the war, the whaling industry accounted for their revival, and the sea is still the main interest. In New London, the U.S. Coast Guard Academy has its home on the river's west bank (*grounds open daily 9-6*), and in Groton, on the opposite shore, is the U.S. Naval Submarine Base (*not open to the public*). Through a periscope at the Submarine Library (*Monday-Saturday 9-5; free*), tourists can see where the *Nautilus*, America's first atomic-powered submarine, was launched eight years ago.

Across from the Coast Guard Academy, at the Lyman Allyn Museum, 18th century furniture and paintings are on display (*Tuesday-Saturday 1-5, Sunday 2-5; free*), and in Groton, the past is well remembered by a 135-foot monument on a hilltop near Fort Griswold, a tribute to the 84 American soldiers slain here by Benedict Arnold.

But the most engrossing remnant of history along the Connecticut shore is re-created Mystic Seaport (*daily 9-5; $2, 50 cents*). Mystic was a leading shipbuilding center of a century ago, and along the Seaport's several streets are the usual community centers of that time: counting house, chapel, school building, clock shop, meeting house, tavern, and period homes. Maritime exhibits are housed in more formal museum buildings. Proudly berthed at the waterfront are the *Charles W. Morgan*, the featured exhibit, the only wooden sailing whaleship in existence; the *Joseph Conrad*, a square-rigged training ship; and various smaller vessels. You can and should climb aboard to examine these reminders of our venturesome past.

A gaudier sort of history is well preserved at Newport, Rhode Island. Directly south of Providence, where numerous houses and churches remain from Revolutionary times, Newport is the opulent summer resort to which America's richest families brought fame and, occasionally, ridicule. Lavish parties were given here, sometimes in honor of distinguished people, sometimes in honor of dogs and monkeys, at phenomenal expense; more than one family had an entertainment budget, if budget is the proper word, of more than a quarter of a million dollars for an eight-week summer season.

Such parties are over, but their memory lingers on, particularly in the grandiose homes that decorate Cliff Walk, a three-mile path along the coastline. The most magnificent building of all is "The Breakers," the 70-room, Italian Renaissance home built for Cornelius Vanderbilt in 1895 (*daily 10-5, plus Sunday 10-9 in July and August; $1.75, 60 cents for children 6-16*). Near by, in "The Breakers" stable, (*daily 10-5; 50 cents, 25 cents*), carriages and harnesses of the Vanderbilt estate, the largest such collection in the world, hint at the good life as they lived it in Newport at the turn of the century. Other fine mansions dot Ocean Drive, a 10-mile road along the tip of land where Presidents spend their vacations.

A shipbuilding center since before the Revolution, Newport also has a large Navy base and a harbor teeming with yachts. The famous Newport to Bermuda Yacht Race starts here on June 16. Another highly publicized event, the Newport Jazz Festival, has been succeeded by Music at Newport, tentatively scheduled, as this goes to press, for the last day in June and the first two days in July.

Then, as it re-enters Massachusetts, the Heritage Trail nears its end. If you plan on completing the circle tour, you can visit Cape Cod, then see Plymouth Rock on your way back up to Boston. A popular alternative is to digress slightly and visit Plymouth first, then spend whatever time remains relaxing out on the Cape.

In any event, the stop at Plymouth is a high light of the trip. The famous rock where the Pilgrims landed is on view beneath a large portico, and near it is moored the *Mayflower II*, a replica of the ship that brought them here in December, 1620. The *Mayflower II* made its own Atlantic crossing in 1957 under conditions simulating those of the Pilgrims. You can best appreciate the extent of their hardships by boarding the ship yourself (*daily 9-8; 75 cents, 50 cents*).

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Before the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth, they stopped briefly at what is now Provincetown, on the northern tip of Cape Cod. A bronze tablet marks where they stepped ashore, and near by, a 252-foot tower, the Cape's most familiar landmark, commemorates the event (*daily 9-5; 50 cents, 25 cents*); relics of that period are on display

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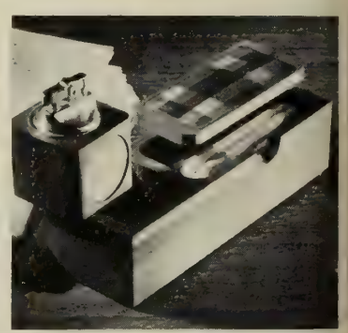
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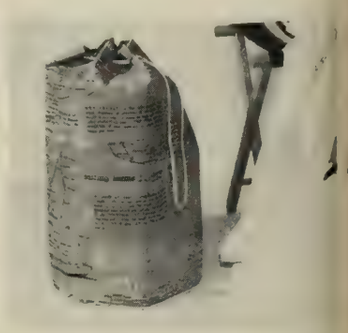
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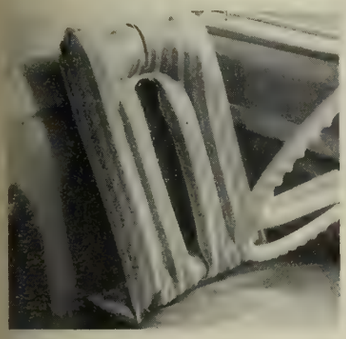
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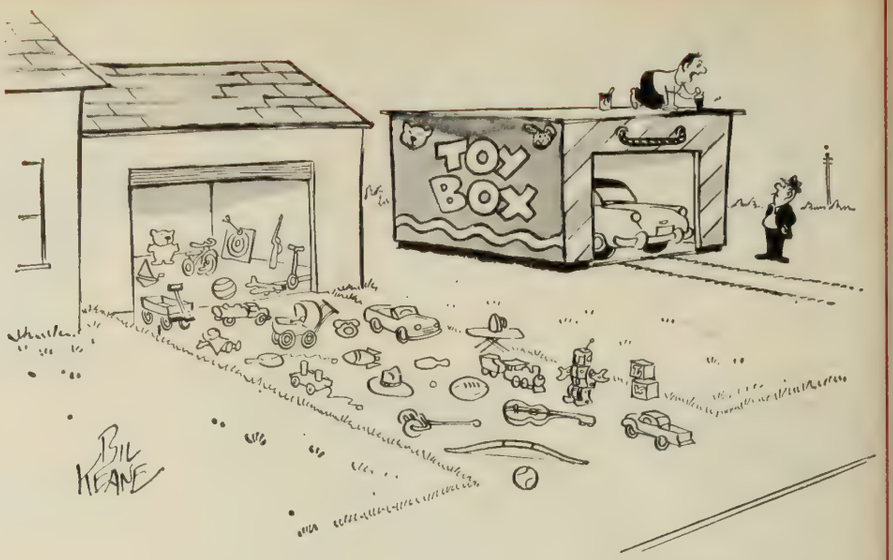
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One of the hardest parts about finishing a tough job is getting started on it.

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Elaine Cowan says she sometimes gets the impression that the strings attached to a married man are really loose reins.

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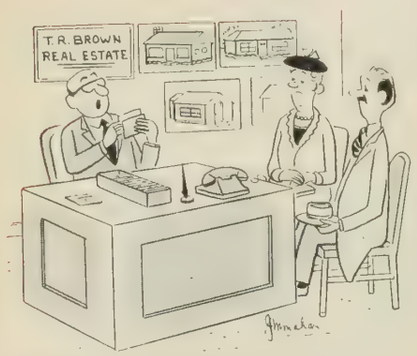
Pat O'Leary played 18 holes of golf last Saturday with his boss and a good customer—all without losing a ball, throwing his putter, using bad language, or having any fun.

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Young Burt, at 12, finds it difficult to understand why women are called the weaker sex. Most of the girls in his class are bigger and stronger than he is.

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Grandpa Hillis points out that in his day, people worked hard so they could take it easy, but nowadays they take it easy so they won't have to work hard.



"I'm afraid everything in your price range has been condemned."

Uncle Dodd Buckner was telling the children that he has planted upwards of 100,000,000 seeds in his career as a farmer, but he still does not understand how a seed works.

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Our real danger in the Sixties is that the population explosion will be canceled by the other kind.

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We enjoyed and applauded every piece the talented Norman girl played at her piano recital. Unfortunately, the Normans heard only her mistakes.

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"When I think of all the wishes I've made in my lifetime that did not come true," Grandmother Hillis told the children, "I realize how fortunate I have been."

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During our last PTA meeting of the year, we reviewed all the inadequacies of the curriculum, the school building, and the teachers' salaries, and we were cheered to learn that they are no worse than when we set out to improve them nine months ago.

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Old Mr. Willis likes to remind us that it takes a lot of experience to live to be ninety years old.

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Half the fun of life is not knowing how things are going to turn out, and the other half is turning out to see the fun.

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Based on his considerable experience in front of our TV set, young Burt says he would rather be a cowboy than a spaceman. A cowboy can roam endlessly over the exciting Old West, but the first spacemen are going to be confined pretty much to our own solar system.

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"Anybody who ignores the church," says wise friend Charlie Ehrhardt, "is like a person who builds a house without windows, and then blames God because he has to live in the dark."

As I understand it from studying the stream of high schoolers adorning my living room, adolescence is a time when a boy notices that a girl notices that he is noticing her.

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Squirtgun Jones, my small daughter's favorite enemy, asked her what a Communist is. "It's somebody who wants all your toys," she explained. (Kids are often smarter than adults, I've found.)

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"*You can't get through this world without making mistakes,*" *says old friend Ken Flowers.* "*The person who makes no mistakes does nothing, and that's the biggest mistake of all.*"

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No woman can alienate any man's affections by straightening his necktie, ruffling his hair, or baking him a pecan pie.

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One of our vanishing American customs is that of inviting an entire family, kids and all, to dinner. Nowadays, in giving and accepting invitations, it is generally assumed that the children will stay home with a baby sitter.

A generation ago, youngsters usually ate at a "second table"—but since they were temporarily free of parental discipline, that was part of the fun. The older children were put in charge of organizing group games that would include the younger ones. The grownups would talk or play cards (keeping their ears open for sounds of trouble in the next room). If it got late, the little ones would find their ways to couches and corners and go to sleep.

I always took great pleasure in pretending not to awaken when my father picked me up to carry me to the car. "Ah, the poor tired little tyke," he would say, and I would snuggle into his arms and fall asleep again in their warmth and security.

Burton Hillis